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## RUSSIA ESTABLISHES AIR BASE AT DAIREN

Japanese Forced Labour  
 Behind Security Cloak  
**FAR EAST IRON CURTAIN**

Shanghai, October 8.

The Soviets have built up a powerful air base at Dairen and behind a strict security cloak are running Japanese-built factories at full blast using Japanese forced labour, according to a first-hand report brought to Shanghai by an Austrian, Mr. Bruno Schrenzel.

He said 2,000 Japanese technicians and experts were kept behind a barbed wire in the Dairen sector. Mr. Schrenzel left Dairen last July 20 on a repatriation ship sent there from Japan. The ship also carried Japanese repatriates and nearly 30 foreigners—Britons, Greeks and Americans—to Yokohama.

Mr. Schrenzel arrived here yesterday while the others remained in Yokohama. He said Dairen, which under the treaty was to have been a prosperous free port, is dead to all business and trade, dependent for food on a lousy market and living under the oppressive shadow of the Soviet Kommandatura.

The Chinese population, he said, was hostile to the Soviets, having been embittered by Soviet looting and rapping when the Red Army marched in 1945, and are yearning for the Chinese National Government to take over. He said the few remaining foreigners were eager to get out. So are the Japanese experts and technicians, he added, but they were made to work in "civilian" conditions—Dairen's only going concern.

### First Report

Mr. Schrenzel, who managed a foreign-owned hotel in Dairen for the past 21 months, brought out of the first non-official reports on postwar conditions behind the Asiatic sector of the Russian Iron Curtain.

He said the Soviet concentration of a large number of planes at an airport situated 10

minutes by car north of Dairen, but strict security regulations bar everyone from anywhere near the airport zone. Soviet ships do not touch at Dairen but he believed, many were stationed nearby at the naval base of Port Arthur. Mr. Schrenzel said civilians were barred from the factory area. He named the Kamsel plant as one of those working at full blast.

Photograph-taking of hills or the waterfront was banned by the Soviets although swimming on the beaches may be permitted.

### Communist Leader Shot

Singapore, October 8. An official source said Wong Tat Choo, former President of the Johore Bahru Chinese Chamber of Commerce, was shot and killed on Wednesday night, resulting arrest at Johore. Police said Wong was a Communist leader. They began hunting him when the revolt broke out last May.—Associated Press.

## Yoshida Mooted As Next Premier

Tokyo, October 8.

The election of Mr. Shigeru Yoshida, President of the Democratic Liberal Party, as Prime Minister seemed assured today. The Liberals yesterday decided to make an all-out bid for the office yesterday and named Mr. Yoshida as their candidate for the Premiership.

The main obstacle to Mr. Yoshida's election remains possible SCAP disapproval of the extreme right-winger, who once previously was Prime Minister under the occupation. Brigadier General Courtney Whitney, Chief of General MacArthur's Government Section, today discounted widespread rumours that the occupation authorities would veto Mr. Yoshida's accession to the Premiership.

SCAP is leaving the decision to the Japanese themselves, he said. The Democratic Liberals hold 151 seats in the Lower House, compared with the Social Democrats' 110, the Democrats' 89 and the People's Co-operatives' 30.

### THE WEATHER

Anticyclones are centred over the Sea of Japan and Buchuan, between them a trough is moving SE across the Yellow Sea, and NE China. From a shallow depression E of the Philippines a trough extends across the S China Sea to Malaya. Today's forecast: Moderate easterly winds, partly cloudy. Tomorrow's weather: Maximum 81.1 deg. F. Minimum 75.5 deg. F. Rainfall: 18.5 mm. (0.73 in.). Total since Jan. 1—2,099.7 mm. (82.6 in.). against an average of 1,884.9 mm. (74.2 in.). Readings at 10 a.m. 4 p.m. Date: Oct. 8, 1948. 1010.9 h.b. 1014.9 h.b. Sea: S.W. 30.0 25.0 fathoms. Wind: S.W. 25 40 deg. F. Wind Direction: S.W. 25 40 deg. F. Wind Force: 15 16 knots. Wind Speed: 15 16 knots. Wind: S.W. 25 40 deg. F. Wind Direction: S.W. 25 40 deg. F. Wind Force: 15 16 knots. Wind Speed: 15 16 knots.

## Yuan Members Ask For Investigation

Nanking, October 8.

Cantonese members of the Legislative Yuan today demanded the immediate investigation of Kwangtung Governor, Dr. T. V. Soong's large-scale buying of Hong Kong dollars a day before the announcement of the currency reform.

The demand was contained in a telegram to Control Yuan representatives from Canton.

The Canton reports, which created a stir, alleged that Dr. T. V. Soong, taking advantage of advance knowledge of the currency reform, bought more than HK\$1,000,000, thereby netting a profit of, CN\$4,000,000,000,000.

The Kwangtung Governor, according to another Canton report, admitted he bought about HK\$500,000 to purchase rice from Bangkok.

It was further alleged that his large-scale buying caused the black market rate for Hong Kong dollars to double.—United Press.

## Nationalists Near Yingkow Harbour

Shanghai, October 8.

The Nationalists, sweeping down the Liaotung Peninsula, reached to within 40 kilometres of Yingkow harbour—vital supply port on the eastern arm of the Liaotung Gulf, pro-Government reports asserted today.

The occupation of the port would give the Government troops in Manchuria a secondary supply line to supplement the airlift supply port of Hulutao on the western arm of the Liaotung Gulf which is currently choked off by the Communist attack.

The Government determination to blast open a sea-land corridor to Mukden was underscored by President Chiang Kai-shek's visit to Peiping, Mukden and Tientsin, and by sea to Hultao in what observers noted as the longest military inspection tour undertaken by the Generalissimo in recent years.

Generalissimo Chiang personally visited the Government garrisons along the East Hebei and South Manchuria rail coast, travelling on a heavily escorted warship.

Returning to Peiping last evening by train, Chiang was to receive the United States Ambassador, Dr. Leighton Stuart, and the United States West Pacific Fleet Commander, Vice-Admiral Oscar E. Badger.

Speculation was rife on Admiral Badger's call, and unconfirmed reports said that the defence of Tsingtao—United States zone anchorage in Shanghai Province—may be in jeopardy.

Pro-Government reports stated that a strong Government column was rolling down the Liaotung Peninsula, encountering little Communist opposition. After taking Maeheng, a minor outpost of Mukden, advance units reached within 40 kilometres of the sea coast. It was believed that the Government troops will run into stiffer Red resistance when they near Yingkow.

A Central News despatch from Hsuehchow said that Mr. Pang Kuo-fu, Commissioner of Civil Affairs of the Shantung provincial Government, slipped through Red-infested Shanlung in disguise and arrived in Hsuehchow. The despatch said that General Wu Huan-yen's defection was the main cause of the fall of Tsinan, said the Communists promised the governorship of Shantung but they broke their promise after Tsinan fell. It said that Wu was made an Army commander in the Red Army and assigned to an indoctrination course in Chiamutze in northern Manchuria.

The despatch said that Governor Wang Yao-wu was wounded in the leg during the Tsinan siege but hobbled through the Red lines. However, the Red commander attributed Wu's photos to all units and the wounded governor was believed to have been captured before reaching Government lines.—United Press.

## INDIA'S FOOD SITUATION VERY GRAVE

Singapore, October 7.

India's food situation is "extremely grave" her delegate told the South-east Asia Island officers conference which began in Singapore today.

He added that owing to a big drop in the import of cereals in the last two months and a falling off in the rice coming from Burma, India needed assistance.

Mr. R. G. Stone, acting chief of the Commissioner - General's economic organisation, said precautions were being taken in case Burma could not fulfil her programme. The International Emergency Food Council had appealed to European countries to defer shipments of rice until January at least.

Burma shipped 45,000 tons in August and 28,000 tons in September. This month she would ship 32,000 tons. It was hoped she could ship another 140,000 tons in November and December.

Most of the South-east Asian countries reported a satisfactory rice supply provided Burma fulfilled her programme.

Ceylon, however, said the fall in supplies from Burma had already caused her difficulties and necessitated shipping 40,000 tons to Ceylon before the end of the year.

The brightest spot in the survey was the news that Siam would fulfil her rice commitments for the year by the end of November.—Reuter.

### Arrived In 1939

Mr. Schrenzel said he arrived in Dairen in May, 1939. He and 10 other foreigners, including the Danish Consul Mr. Elm, were arrested two days before the Japanese capitulation and only the surrender saved them from probable execution.

He added, however, that immediately upon occupying Dairen, the Soviets began to be hated as much as the Japanese. The Red soldiers then went on indiscriminate looting and raping and with watches and cigarettes prized as most valuable souvenirs.

Citing an example, Mr. Schrenzel said once several blocks were "ordered off" and "ill" caught within the net were forced at the bayonet point to hand over their watches.

He said Dairen experienced a drastic currency inflation. When he left, the US dollar fetched 2,000 "occupation yen" with higher quotations for United States notes of the higher denominations.

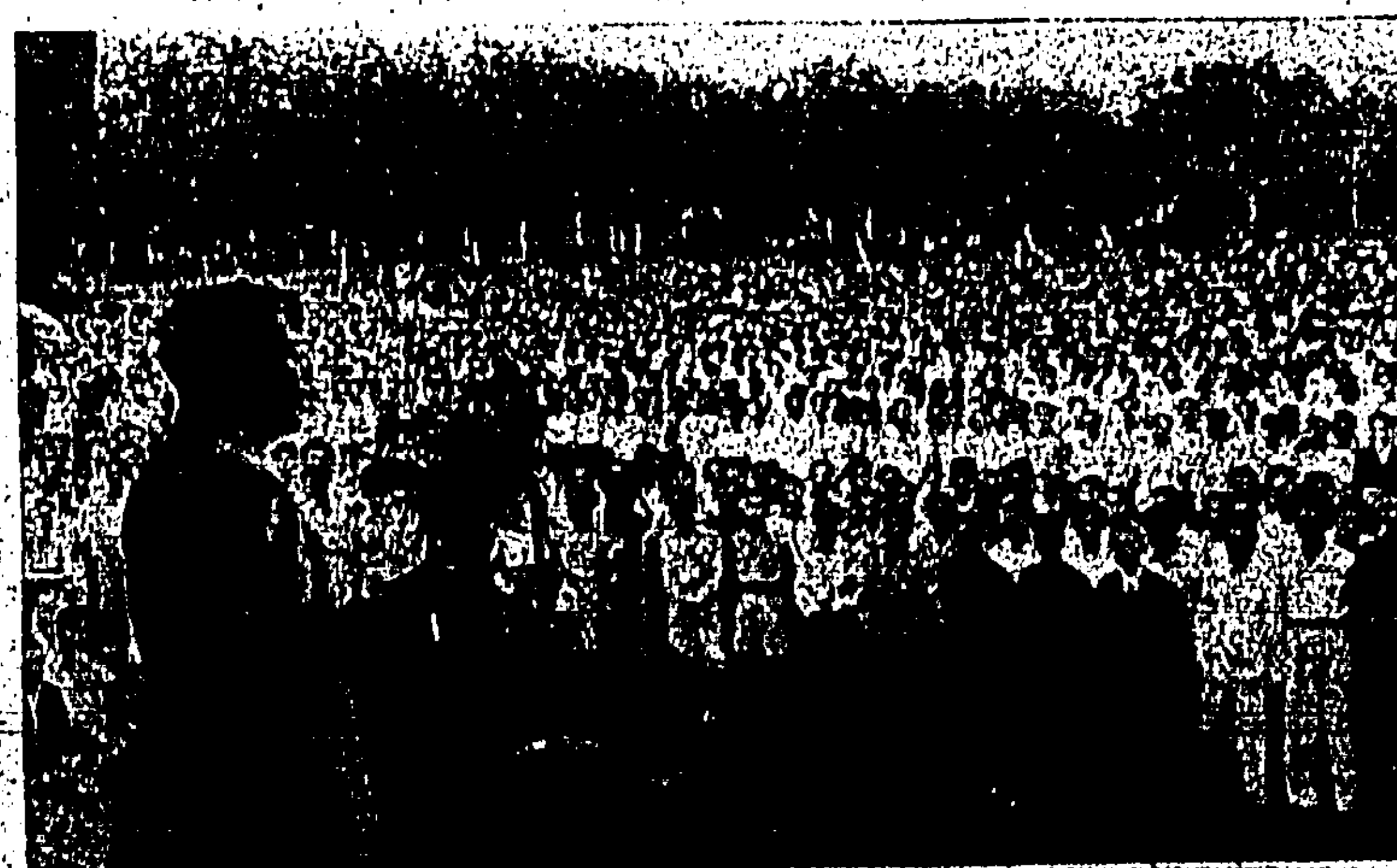
### Soaring Prices

Food was plentiful—but only at soaring black market prices. Mr. Schrenzel said the pitifully underpaid employees, and this included Russian emigres who became Soviet citizens, sell their food rations on the black market to buy coarser and cheaper foods and thus stretch out their diet.

The Soviets are afraid to fraternise with the population and the Chinese populace was bitterly hostile to the Soviets as a result of their behaviour. Mr. Schrenzel said the Chinese ardently desire the Chinese Government to take over but the Soviet training of a native police of 10,000 strong to keep order and snuff out any possible demonstrations.

Mr. Schrenzel said the Chinese Communist army was not in evidence. He did not know whether ostensibly the non-Communist Chinese puppet city administration includes Communists. He said the repatriation group was greatly assisted by the United States Consul, Mr. Paul Paddock, who runs the isolated and only foreign consulate in Dairen.—United Press.

## Addresses New Youth Corps



Major General Chiang Kai-shek, in his speech at the inauguration of the Great Shanghai Youth Service Corps recently at Puking (former French) Park, in Shanghai, urged every one of the 12,000 members to assist the Government in rounding up unscrupulous merchants.

## LEGISLATORS REJECT GOLD YUAN BUDGET

Nanking, October 8.

A crisis loomed today for Premier Wong Wen-hao's Cabinet as a result of the rejection by the Legislative Yuan of its current semi-annual national budget after it had been revised in terms of gold yuan, following the currency reform.

Instead of approving it, the legislators unanimously repudiated the new budget on the grounds that expenditures were not simply converted at the rate of 3,000,000 old Chinese dollars to one gold yuan but padded to three or four times the original outlay.

The Legislative Yuan's resolution to reject the budget, according to the provisions of the constitution, would mean that within 10 days after its delivery to the Executive Yuan, Premier Wong may, with the approval of the President, request its consideration by the legislators.

However, if after consideration, two thirds of the attending members of the Legislative Yuan still uphold the original resolution, he would either have to abide by it and present a new budget or resign.

### Cuba, Norway Gain UN Seats

Paris, October 8.

Cuba and Norway were elected today to two-year terms on the United Nations Security Council. Their terms begin next January 1.

A deadlock developed between Egypt and Turkey for the Middle Eastern seat, to be vacated at the end of the year by Syria.

Neither obtained the necessary two-thirds majority of 36 votes for election. Egypt received 30 votes and Turkey 23.

A second ballot was ordered immediately to decide between the two deadlocked contestants. Five Latin American countries were absent, reducing the number of member nations voting to 53. This established 36 as a two-thirds majority.—Associated Press.

## Canton Press Hails HK Agreement

Canton, October 8.

The latest moves by the Hong Kong Government—legislation to rectify the Sino-British Agreement concluded in Nanking in January—to aid China in her fight against smuggling are warmly welcomed by the Chinese press.

The "Labour Daily News," which is generally regarded as organ of Kuomintang labour, in an editorial says that the facilities, although long delayed, will be of immense assistance to China.

The newspaper hopes that smuggling will cease with the implementation of the Sino-British Agreement. If it does not, it will reflect badly on the Chinese authorities concerned, the paper states.

The editorial points out that theoretically no Hong Kong assistance is required in the suppression of smuggling along China's borders, but the geographical relationship of China and Hong Kong being as it is, the co-operation of the British authorities is necessary.

This co-operation has not been withheld and, says the paper, "we hope that with the assistance of the Hong Kong Government our authorities will intensify their efforts to eliminate smuggling."

In the meantime, smugglers operating between Canton and the British Colony are resorting to new tactics to evade the watchful Customs officials. Previously, they smuggled in bulk; now they are smuggling in very small quantities, but are employing so many people to do so that the eventual profits are as great as bulk contraband-running. As another blind, women are employed in most cases.—Reuter.

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## US \$17,312,000 Insurance

St. Louis, October 7.

The Monsanto Chemical Company today paid its world record US\$17,312,000—which it described as the largest single insurance payment in history—for losses it suffered in the Texas City disaster in April 1947.

The Company said negotiations for the payment were concluded with the Oil Insurance Association of Chicago, which is a group of many leading stock insurance companies.—United Press.

## Search For Compromise Solution

Paris, October 8.

The Argentinian delegate to the UN General Assembly, Mr. Juan Bramuglia, assuming the role of mediator in the Berlin crisis, today conferred for more than an hour with Russia's Mr. Andrei Vyshinsky in search of a compromise solution.

An authoritative American source said the Western Powers approve Senator Bramuglia's move and hoped for his mediation efforts on the Berlin issue.

Details of the Bramuglia-Vyshinsky discussions were not disclosed nor was the exact nature of the compromise being sought.

But it is known that the majority of the Security Council members are not directly involved in the Berlin dispute favour a compromise along the lines of the American offer—an immediate Council of Foreign Ministers meeting on Germany in return for lifting of the blockade.

Both Mr. Bramuglia and Mr. Vyshinsky were represented by reliable sources as satisfied with the conference. Senator Bramuglia is to spend the rest of the day talking with the representatives of the Big Three Western Powers and with the non-permanent members of the Security Council.

He may also confer with Ukraine's delegate, Mr. Dmitri Manulsky, Russia's only supporter on the Security Council.

Mr. Bramuglia and Mr. Vyshinsky made every effort to keep the planned conference strictly on a neutral ground. They met at an unidentified neutral place.

It was reported that after Mr. Bramuglia's talks with the Western and neutral powers on the Council he will expect to "see Mr. Vyshinsky again."—United Press.

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## Maritime Strike Diverts US-Bound Ships From Course

The Pacific coast maritime strike has diverted some American-bound vessels from their normal itinerary from Hong Kong.

The Klavens Line announced yesterday that the Pacific coast situation has compelled them to discontinue their regular monthly service to and from the Pacific coast ports. A regular run, however, has been arranged between the colony and Vancouver and Tacoma. This service will remain in operation until the strike peters out.

The ms. Francisville is leaving on about October 21 and is accepting cargo for Vancouver and all inland Canadian ports, and also for Tacoma. The company also accepts cargo for overland destinations in eastern America via Vancouver, subject to certain restrictions. It does not, however, accept overland or transit cargo via Tacoma.

Two other vessels operating the fast regular passenger and cargo service of the Klavens Line are due to depart from Vancouver on October 14 and 20. They are expected to arrive here on November 19 and 25, respectively. They are the ms. Castle and ms. Rosville.

The Pacific Far East Line which has suspended its trans-Pacific service for the past weeks reported yesterday that its ss. Swarthmore Victory is due to arrive here from San Francisco on October 11.

## Going To L.A.

Two vessels of the De La Rama Lines, the mv. Hallam and ss. Donna Aurora, are due to leave

Hong Kong for the United States Atlantic coast via Los Angeles on November 4 and 14, respectively.

The mv. Vilja and mv. Parmanita, operating the Pacific Orient Express Line freight service, are due to leave for the Pacific coast on November 5 and 26.

Several shipping companies are operating their normal round the world service, calling at Atlantic coast ports, on trans-Pacific Hong Kong-Vancouver run.

Everett Steamship Corporation, local agents for the American Mail Line, expect their ss. India Mail and mv. China Mail to arrive here from Vancouver via the Philippines, today and tomorrow, respectively. The two vessels operate the normal Vancouver-Hong Kong via Manila run. The company accepts cargo for through shipment overland to

all American cities including Chicago and New York.

## Nine Vessels

Nine vessels operating the American President Lines' round the world service are now en route between different ports and are due to call at New York in November and December.

The Barber Wilhelmsen Line, for whom Dodwell and Co. are the local agents, has the mv. Tal Shan and mv. Talisman arriving here from Pacific coast ports on October 20 and November 28, respectively. Two other ships of the company are due to load at Hong Kong on October 20 and November 20 for Pacific coast ports via Shanghai and Japan.

Three steamers are operating the express service to New York via Panama of the Waterman Steamship Corporation and are due to land here for New York, Baltimore and Philadelphia. They are the ss. Kyaukse (October 12), ss. City of Alms (November 12) and ss. Malden Creek (November 25).

## Elephants Leave For Macao Circus

Two newly-tamed elephants from the jungles of Siam left Hong Kong yesterday to join the Kamala Circus at Macao.

More than six feet tall, the tuskers are still temperamental and caused great difficulty when embarking on the ss. Tal-

poshan at Bangkok. They were bundled by strong nets and lifted by mechanised crane on to the deck of the steamer.

After their first taste of the ocean, however, the mammoths, estimated to cost HK\$20,000 each, amiably crossed the gangplank from the Kwong Sai Wharf yesterday afternoon on to the deck of the ss. Kwong Tung after some persuasion.

Travelling with them were Professor K. Damodaran, proprietor of the Indian circus, Mr. C. B. Lonan, office manager of the circus, and Mr. E. Nair, who brought the elephants from Bangkok.

The elephants were bought from the natives in Bangkok and tamed. "They are still ferocious at times and it is dangerous for strangers to go near them," Mr. Lonan said.

The animals consumed a tremendous amount of hay, and during their day sojourn here they ate 10 bundles of hay of about 10 caddies each.

The elephants will be trained with the other four already performing.

## Lions Coming

Meanwhile, six newly-tamed lions are en route to Hong Kong from Africa. They will be trained by the circus star performer, 32-year-old lion-tamer Alan Khan.

Four tigers are expected to leave India for the colony to join the circus. They will also be trained.

The Kamala Circus, which has been performing in Macao for nearly two months, is leaving the Portuguese colony within the next week for Shek-ki, where it will stay for about a month. From there it will proceed to Canton by steamer.

Hong Kong will be its last port before the Indian Circus returns to India.

## HONG KONG — MANILA

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That is particularly so if keeping that information from your opponents is likely to tempt them to do something which will be advantageous to your side. In a nutshell, if the information is likely to be more valuable to them than to your partner, keep it secret.

SA 7 5 3  
H 8  
D J 10 3  
C Q 8 5 4 3  
S 8 2  
H Q J 7 6  
D 4 3  
C 7 6 2  
SK Q J  
H 10 6  
D 9 7 8  
C A K J  
10 9  
S 10 9 6 4  
H A K 9 2  
D A K Q 9 2  
C None

(Dealer: South. Both sides vulnerable.)

South West North East  
1 D Pass 1 S 2 C  
3 H Dbl 3 NT Dbl  
4 S Pass Pass Dbl

Redbl. In a tournament in which every slight margin might prove decisive, South planned to give the work to his opponents, who were both noted exponents of aggressiveness as a means of earning good scores.

After North bid his spades, South decided to create an illusion of relative weakness. Over East's club call, he could have cue-bid the suit with his blank to show his four-card spade fit and game

strength. He also could have shown his spade fit enthusiastically with 3-Spades. Instead he deliberately chose the 3-Hearts so that later he could make it appear he had none-too-good spade support.

West obliged beyond his expectations when he doubled that, and East still more so when North's takeout into 3-No Trumps was doubled. When he then slipped into 4-Spades, it sounded to East like a desperation escape. That induced the most welcome double. South, now realizing that his opponents had no safe escape at that height, redoubled, which also had the dual purpose of keeping North from taking out into diamonds.

East of course took nothing except two trump tricks, so an extra win made for as overwhining a top score as you could expect to see. Nobody else got doubled, because at every other table South cue-bid the clubs somewhere along the way.

Tomorrow's Problem  
S K 8  
H A 10 7  
D 10 9 6 5  
C A 8  
S 10  
H Q 8 4 3  
D A K Q  
C K 9 5  
S A Q 4 3  
H K  
D 7 3 2  
C Q J 10 4

(Dealer: East. Neither side vulnerable.)

If normal bidding follows East's opening of 1-Club, how can West read the likelihood of his partner's call being a psychic?

SA 7 5 3  
H 8  
D J 10 3  
C Q 8 5 4 3  
S 8 2  
H Q J 7 6  
D 4 3  
C 7 6 2  
SK Q J  
H 10 6  
D 9 7 8  
C A K J  
10 9  
S 10 9 6 4  
H A K 9 2  
D A K Q 9 2  
C None

(Dealer: South. Both sides vulnerable.)

South West North East  
1 D Pass 1 S 2 C  
3 H Dbl 3 NT Dbl  
4 S Pass Pass Dbl

Redbl. In a tournament in which every slight margin might prove decisive, South planned to give the work to his opponents, who were both noted exponents of aggressiveness as a means of earning good scores.

After North bid his spades, South decided to create an illusion of relative weakness. Over East's club call, he could have cue-bid the suit with his blank to show his four-card spade fit and game

strength. He also could have shown his spade fit enthusiastically with 3-Spades. Instead he deliberately chose the 3-Hearts so that later he could make it appear he had none-too-good spade support.

West obliged beyond his expectations when he doubled that, and East still more so when North's takeout into 3-No Trumps was doubled. When he then slipped into 4-Spades, it sounded to East like a desperation escape. That induced the most welcome double. South, now realizing that his opponents had no safe escape at that height, redoubled, which also had the dual purpose of keeping North from taking out into diamonds.

East of course took nothing except two trump tricks, so an extra win made for as overwhining a top score as you could expect to see. Nobody else got doubled, because at every other table South cue-bid the clubs somewhere along the way.

Tomorrow's Problem  
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H A 10 7  
D 10 9 6 5  
C A 8  
S 10  
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# FRENCH GOVT MAY USE TROOPS IN COALFIELDS

## Camiguin Villagers Flee Again

Manila, October 8. Villagers on tiny Camiguin Island fled for the second time within a month when heavy rains caused landslides down Mount Hibokhibok slopes. A report from Southern Philippines where Hibokhibok erupted in September said landslides partially buried a village with volcanic conglomerate. No casualties were reported, however. Earlier, observers said that rocks pushed from the volcano's crater had formed a towering but shaky wall on Hibokhibok mountainside. They said landslides could easily occur from the 1,100 feet high cliff which developed. Dr. Arsenio Tiongson, a Red Cross administrator, described landslides washed down by the rains. He said residents of four barrios were affected—Agoho, Kogutan, Dagong and Yumbung—evacuated to Mambajao. Camiguin's principal town, roughly five miles from the volcano. The people of adjoining villages also left their homes in fear of an avalanche—Associated Press.

## RAF Relief Fund Closed

London, October 8. A relief fund set up for the survivors of 50 allied airmen who were shot after attempting to escape in March 1944 from a German prison camp has been closed. The Air Ministry reported last night. The £11,011.85 fund was raised by an auction sale among fellow officers left in the camp of the personal effects and clothing of the airmen. The sale raised £6,482.38. Bids averaged at least 20 times the value of the articles the Air Ministry said. Officers not securing any of the articles signed subscription lists for an additional £4,529.47. All but one of the fund's beneficiaries have been traced, the Ministry said, and £26 has been turned over to the RAF benevolent fund to be given to the widow of Flying Officer J. Mendelheim of the Polish Air Force if she is traced—Associated Press.

## RADIO

This is Radio Hong Kong broadcasting on a frequency of 845 kilocycles per second and on 9.52 megacycles per second in the 31 metre band. M.R.T. 12.30 p.m.—Daily Programme Summary. 12.32 p.m.—A Light Orchestral Programme with John McIlough (Tenor). 1.04 p.m.—News, Weather Report and Announcements. 1.25 p.m.—Interlude. 1.30 p.m.—New Variety. 2.00 p.m.—Close Down. 2.05 p.m.—Programme Summary. 2.07 p.m.—Jay Wilbur and His String Ensemble. 2.15 p.m.—Melodians from British Radio. 2.20 p.m.—George Crow and His Blue Mariners Band with Barbara Bunker (Vocal) (HICTS). 2.45 p.m.—Edna De Carte at the Piano (Studio). 2.50 p.m.—"Let's Request" Linda Oster Callings—Water Police Division Kowloon (Studio). 3.00 p.m.—World and Home News (London Relay). 3.15 p.m.—"Saturday Round-Up" "The Stage in Hong Kong" Sports Results (Studio). 3.35 p.m.—World Theatre... Barbara Gouper in "Linda Gouper" by Henrik Ibsen. (HICTS). 3.40 p.m.—A Greek Programme. 10.00 p.m.—World and Home News (London Relay). 10.15 p.m.—Weather Report. 10.18 p.m.—"Cabaret" and Dance Music. 11.15 p.m.—Weather Report and Close Down.

Paris, October 7. The French Government is prepared to use troops, if necessary, to requisition labour and maintain the 13 large vital coke ovens in the strike-bound northern coalfields.

The fires have already been drawn in six ovens and the furnaces partially banked in the other seven. If they are allowed to go cold, some industries using gas would be paralysed for months, local engineers reported.

The French Cabinet, at a special meeting tonight, prepared the necessary measures for the use of troops for the maintenance of the coke ovens as the four-day-old strike of 320,000 miners was being increasingly felt in the north, where some towns were already without gas for lighting or cooking.

A natural cut in supplies was possible to preserve the existing coal stocks. The strike situation generally worsened tonight. The number of strikers throughout the country was estimated tonight at nearly 500,000 with as yet no sign of any move towards negotiation.

Dockers were hinting at joining the general strike movement and 80 per cent of the northern railway workers were already said to be out, although the London-Paris line was still operating. M. Victor Bugnot, the General Secretary of the Communist Miners' Union, challenged the Government's right "to browbeat the miners by using troops or requisitioning labour."

While the Government has not yet announced the special measures it intends to take to meet the situation, circles close to the Prime Minister, M. Henri Queuille, said that the French Cabinet was determined to keep

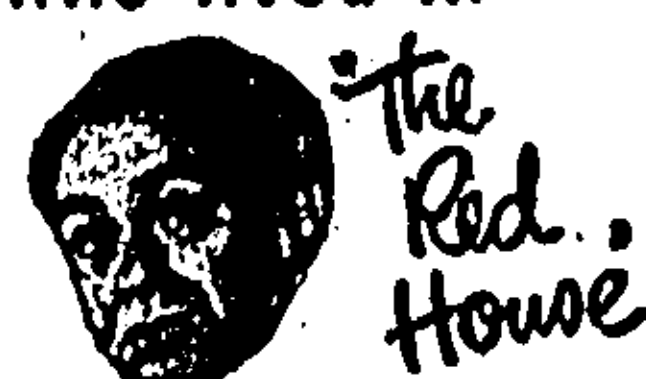
## GREEK WARSHIPS IN ACTION

Athens, October 7. Greek warships went into action today in support of Government troops who repulsed a guerrilla attack on the eastern Macedonian villages of Stavros and Asprovalta. Greek general staff communiques reported. The guerrillas carried off 18 civilians from the village of Veyti it said.—Reuter.

## STAR

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## New Life For Plutarch

New York, October 7. The Italian Consul-General here told the police today that six priceless Plutarch's "Lives" and a work of Cicero's, which were stolen recently from a library near Trieste, were believed to be in the United States. The police have broadcast a 13-State alarm and notified the Federal Bureau of Investigation.—United Press.

## American Planes Fired On

Manila, October 7. Two American L-5 liaison planes on a mosquito control spraying mission for the Philippine and United States Governments were fired upon this morning while flying low over the Marikina foothills northeast of Manila. Eighteenth Wing Headquarters announced one plane was damaged and the pilot injured but he was able to make an emergency landing.—Associated Press.

## STOP LIGHT FOR CARS, AEROPLANES

Anchorage, Alaska, October 8. It is the only one in Alaska and maybe in the world—a stop light to keep airplanes and automobiles from tangling at an intersection. The light is at Merrill Field, where the Palmer highway passes an airstrip. Sometimes cars are stopped for two blocks, waiting for the planes to land or take off.—Associated Press.

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# US AIR FORCE NEEDS MODERN CARGO PLANES

Washington, October 7. It was learned today that the US Air Force is preparing to ask the next Congress for a heavy appropriation to begin buying a fleet of modern cargo planes. It is counting heavily on the lessons of the Berlin airlift to put across its story.

"Operation Vittles" is exacting a large toll from the total military transport capacity and the Air Force decided that it cannot longer delay replacing and expanding its present fleet comprising mainly of World War I planes. It was also learned that negotiations are in progress to buy 30 or more DC-4 transports from commercial airlines for the Berlin shuttle airlift. It ordered 20 C-124s which will carry 25 tons and 90 C-119 troop carriers of a total planned procurement of 2,727 planes of all types. The Air Secretary, Mr. W. Stuart Symington, answers critics that the best transports in the world are no good unless combat Air Force control the air and the urgently needed bombers and fighters therefore got the highest priority this year. The Air Force believes that the Berlin airlift demonstrated what air transportation might be calling on to do and could do successfully on a much larger scale in war. At the same time, the "Vittles" operation is wearing out planes for which replacements are getting scarce, and necessarily it has a large share of our total air lift concentrated in an exposed position should the cold war turn hot. There are about 140 C-54s operating in Germany with several more en route to or from maintenance shops in the United States. These were furnished by the Military Air Transport and troop carrier groups. Troop carriers also supplied five C-82 flying boxcars to carry heavy equipment into Berlin. The last count, MAT's global operations were reduced by more than 30 per cent and there is probably not much more reduction possible.—United Press.

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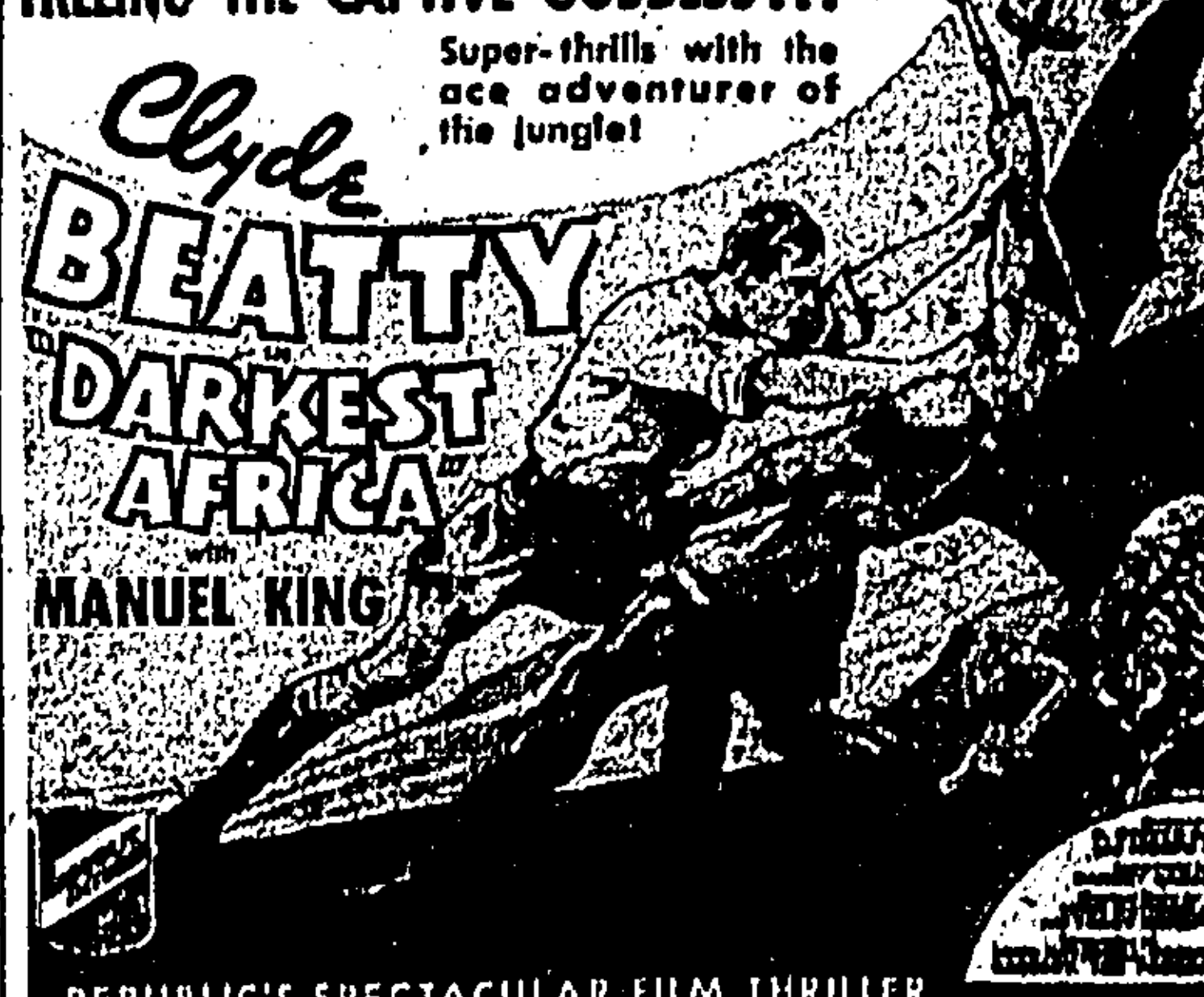
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## THE TWELFTH INSTALLMENT

## The Stilwell Papers



existence, so send me one occasionally. I am enclosing a few photos taken at Dhanu just after I had gotten out of the jungle to prove to you that I am not nearly dead yet, although I am a bit shaky. Don and I dropped about 20 pounds apiece, but we'll get it all back. I didn't waste much time in India. Took three days to polish off the paper work at Delhi; and then should off.

We are oppressed by the unpopularity and widespread dislike of the Delhi head office. Both American (AIC) and British. The layout is simply stupendous, one trip over Lieutenant General's office work, most of them doing captain's work, or none at all. Came to Kanchung in a hospital and they got stuck there for five days on account of bad weather at Chumking. We finally got here on June 3, and next day I made a report to the "Big Boy." I told him the whole truth, and it was like kicking an old man in the stomach. However, he was a bit more understanding than I expected. He said, "You're a good boy, so it's up to me all the more. He has of course kept an eye on me all the time through certain agencies which I know are always present, but which I cannot identify. I tell you, I'm not at all afraid of them. I just go ahead and let nature take its course. There are several things cooking now which will take a lot of talk. I hope, some good will come of them, but my recommendations are so radical that it will be a wrench for him to put them into effect. Very cordial welcome from both him and Madame. Whether it means anything or not I of course don't know as yet.

Last February, when they inquired as to my yellow fever, they had sent me a letter, which I had been waiting for. This delayed laundage apparently caught up with me at Kanchung, and after I got here the doc took over. I am taking it easy and getting out of it and only speak of it to let you know, in case you have been sick.

JUNE 8—Don says I'm better. Maybe. Slept, dozed, and read. JUNE 10—More of the same. Not such a good day. JUNE 11—Still badly. Doubt if medicine know what they're doing. JUNE 14—Not so good this a.m. Better in p.m. Conference—Chen-hai, Brereton, Wheeler, Strahm, Gruber, Bissell.

JUNE 15—Talk with Chiang Kai-shek about this and that. Fifth Army to stay in India. I to remain in command, because they will make it easy for the Chinese; they won't have to deal with British. To (Yu-ming) to remain. (His face is to be saved, the hell with mine.)

He greeted with derisive laughter (the suggestion) that the Chinese might come back to Burma, grab Siam and Saigon. "Why," he laughed merrily, "they can't think of such a thing without the help of the Chinese Army." (Jesus Christ.) They have the same old complex—planes, tanks, guns, etc., will win the war. I got a bit hot and told him that the only way to do it was to thoroughly reorganize the ground forces. Madame jumped up and came over and sat by me and said the G-mo had to consider "certain influences," etc. I told her I'd come back to the U.S. on his side and backing him, the stupid little ass fails to grasp the big opportunity of his life.

(To Be Continued)

Some take their Rose's Iced and Tall.

Others for the Gimlet call.

As East is East and West is West

It's hard to say which is the best.

But pity the man, who, to this day

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## RUSSIAN AIMS

History books ought to be re-written every fifty years. It is a counsel of perfection impossible to achieve, but if it could be done it would save us many mistakes and many disappointments.

The histories and the newspaper articles dealing with the period of, say, 1830-1900 are pertinent to the argument. They stressed the danger of Russian aims to European civilization. The Russian bear was dreaded, as well it might be, and in fiction the dread found expression in some of the best stories of Rudyard Kipling.

Our forefathers were more historians than we are. They never forgot that Russia (or, more accurately, the Russians) had swelled into its enormous size from a small area of Muscovy. And they knew that Russia's ambition was to go on swelling until it possessed the whole of Europe.

Then came the Russian defeat in the war with Japan, and the disintegration of the country in 1917. From then on Russia dropped out of political writing as the nightmare of Europe. It was assumed that Russia, having established the so-called dictatorship of the proletariat, would henceforth be a factor for universal peace, and Germany was promoted to the position of international menace number one.

It seems, however, that whatever else may change in Russia, its expansionist ambitions remain. They never die, they only sleep, while Russia, after a defeat or an internal convulsion, is licking its wounds. When the wounds are healed, expansionism presses to the fore again.

Russian expansionism is now more virulent than it ever was under the Tsars. And it is infinitely more successful, largely because, no armed forces are involved but the insidious penetration of other countries by fanatics which is so difficult to combat.

We have heard from Ministers of the necessity of re-arming at once. No other country threatens peace. Rearmament will absorb man-power (both in the Services and in industry) and materials, which are desperately required for the restoration of the world economy, and for bringing us, Britain's standard of living within measurable distance of that which we enjoyed in the halcyon era that preceded 1914.

More and more austerity is the British reward for having saved Russia from Germany. Russia could not have stood up to Germany if it had been a straight fight between the two.

When the war ended we committed what was perhaps our most grievous error. We thought that Stalin and his associates would be grateful for what we had done on their behalf. It was patently ingenuous. The Kramlites are incapable of gratitude or of any of the decencies. With them the war did not stop. They rec-

ried it on by other means, not against their enemies, but against their friends.

It took the Western Allies a long time to wake up to the realities of the situation. They have awakened at last. Is it too late? Probably not. In the first place, Russia is much weaker than it pretends to be.

If Russia were actually as strong as Stalin pretends that it is, when Persia opposed the encroachments of Communism the Kramlin would not have retreated. Russia would have "disciplined" Tito when he raised the standard of revolt. And it would have sent troops to Spain. It took none of those steps because it dared not.

An End To The 'Notes'

While the Allies negotiate with Russia on the basis that it is strong and we are weak, we shall present Russia with all the facts. If we alter our tactics to bring them into line with the facts, we shall quickly see Russia altering its tactics in response, and we shall also see an end to the wearisome shuttlecocking of Notes which get us nowhere.

When, adopting this new diplomatic attitude, we—that is, the British and Americans—show Russia that we mean business, we should make it clear that we are not afraid of all the resources, atomic and otherwise, that scientific and technological superiority had put into the Allies' hands.

from Alexander in New Delhi. Feeling like hell with a cold. Had lunch at "A" mess, a most casual business. (I almost walked out.) In bed all afternoon. Got dinner from Jimson (pink) and took 10 grains of quinine, 10 grains aspirin and lumbinal tablet and turned in.

MAY 22—Breakfast at 4:00. Empty left at 4:30 by truck. So dooped up I dozed all the way to Dhanu. Meeting Wavell tomorrow at Dhanu.

At 8:00 six of us got a special car and went to bed. Pretty soft.

MAY 23—Train pulled out at 8:00 a.m. Lunch out of cans. Tea garden all along the railroad. Tinsukia about 5:00. No one around. Phoned to field and Brereton, Gruber, Scott came in and got us. They had been about to turn out to look up Mr. Reynolds' house (tea planter hospitality at 5 rupees each) had bath and chow. Wavell and Alexander came up and talked. Decided to go to Delhi first. Talked to Gruber, Bissell, Nalden, Wheeler, Brereton.

MAY 24—Off at 8:30 in Brereton's plane for Delhi. Rest of party just arrived at Dhanu. (Four sick.) Gruber says everything will be O.K. Good doxy trip to Delhi. In at 4:30. Flock of newsmen at airport taking pictures. Into Imperial Hotel. Press conference at 7:30 p.m. to 8:00. Hell of a lot of good. MAY 25—(7 a.m.) NEW DELHI: LETTER TO MRS. STILLWELL. Ole Pappy calling from India, and reporting in from Burma. Everything O.K. I'm a little underweight, but to quite a bit. I have been careful for him. The doctor in the medical book with his skin off, showing the next layer of what have you. However, I'm eating it on again fast. I was damn glad to get my gang out of the jungle. Most of them now consider me more of a meat and drink than a soldier. Bank on no rank. We had quite a tip, which I suppose will now be exaggerated, as usual, till it's unrecognizable.

Tomorrow or next day I'll be going back to report to the G-mo and I'll be going to see how he takes it.

I have hopes that someday we can step on these bastards (Japs) and end the war, and I am pretty sure I can. I have a few days to place called Carmel, where there are a few people I know who will welcome a vulgar old man, even though he has proven a flop and has been kicked around by the Japs. Meanwhile, the vulgar old man is trying to report to the G-mo. (Nice message from War Department and George Marshall. Why?)

MAY 21—Rain. Breakfast at "A" mess. Not such hot impression. Indefinite about transportation.

British have no contact with Japs, who appear to be going for China. Chinese troops not heard

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# Britain Rejects Red Disarmament Plan

## McNEIL ASKS AMOUNT REDS SPEND ON ARMS

Paris, October 7.

Mr. Hector McNeil, Secretary of State and chief British delegate to the United Nations, this evening challenged Mr. Andrei Vyshinsky, Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister, to disclose what proportion of Russia's national income was spent on armaments.

The challenge was issued in the United Nations Political Committee, which began discussing Russia's disarmament resolution calling for a reduction of one-third in armaments of the Big Five powers—Russia, Britain, the United States, France and China.

Mr. McNeil declared: "In 1947-48 the proportion of the national income of the Soviet Union spent on armaments was—what percentage?"

"The published figures say 17 per cent—a not inconsiderable figure." He added that in 1937 the Soviet Government spent 17.5 milliard roubles on armaments. "Today, it spends 66.1 milliards."

"My country undertook a massive disarmament and demobilisation programme after the war," Mr. McNeil continued. "This is traditional for my country, and is traditional for all Western European countries."

"We are at the bottom of the scale, reduced to the irreducible minimum—but facing us is this figure of 66.1 milliards."

### Grave Risks

"I should not be a representative, worthy of any confidence if I exposed the people I represent before I had assured myself that I was not exposing them to grave risks."

"Will Mr. Vyshinsky give us a series of proposals that does mean adequate verification, adequate inspection, for any disarmament programme?"

Mr. Vyshinsky, presenting the Russian proposals, said that the Soviet Government's motives in submitting its proposal were part of its consistent aim of struggling against any measures or designs tending to create cleavage among the peoples of the world.

He declared: "The Soviet people, who heroically defeated the attacking German enemy and who for three years have been working to cure the wounds dealt their country during the war and towards increasing the economic power of the Soviet State are particularly interested in getting a solid peace throughout the world."

"The Soviet Union has persisted in this policy since the very first days that power was put in the hands of the workers in the Socialist State."

"This policy of peace is directed against war-mongers and against such things as the war psychosis which is being kindled in the United States."

### Were Usless

Referring to the pre-war disarmament efforts, Mr. Vyshinsky said: "It is quite clear how useless were all those conferences and commissions. They show how little the capitalist states were interested in genuine disarmament."

"It was impossible not to notice in all these talks that the naval powers demanded land disarmament and the land powers demanded naval disarmament."

"None of the peace-loving proposals of the Soviet Union were supported, since they were not to the taste of France and the United Kingdom."

Mr. Vyshinsky then described much of the essence of treaties guaranteeing international security which were in fact, he added, designed to "organise Europe without the Soviet Union."

"Today, the United States stands in the van of the organisation of 'United Europe'—the United States directed against the Soviet Union."

He then made a ten-minute attack on Mr. McNeil's speech, the British Prime Minister's speech, and the Russian proposals.

He repeated the Russian allegations that the Russian Five Power Pact was a manifestation of an aggressive attitude towards the Soviet Union, adding that without doubt there existed in Belgium today groups and parties, including the Socialist Party, headed by Mr. Spaak, consisting of propagandists and liars to war against Russia.

### Tons Of Blood

He challenged Mr. Spaak to produce one line of evidence which gave the slightest indication that the Soviet Union was working to attack any country, least of all Belgium, for whose liberation Soviet soldiers shed tons and tons of blood.

"Your country is clutched by dread of the Soviet Union; who sacrificed millions of her sons to free her from Hitlerism," said Mr. Vyshinsky, gesturing towards Mr. Spaak, "and you are now attacking the Soviet Union."

M. Spaak's speech seemed to be designed to help Mr. Bevin in the unbearable burden the latter had taken on his shoulders—burden of trying to prove "such horrible nonsense that it is not possible to have co-operation between Communist and non-Communist countries."

"As far as the Soviet Union is concerned the position is clear. But those who fish in troubled waters do not realise that they are busy with the distortion of facts."

"If the British and United States foreign policy is true constructed then there can be no progress with the reduction of armaments, which after all is one of the most important tasks of the United Nations."

On the control of atomic energy, Mr. Vyshinsky said: "We see a stubborn lack of desire on the part of a number of delegations not only on the question of banning atomic bombs, but also on that of setting up international control."

He said that the American and British delegates had deliberately rejected all suggestions that a general agreement should be sought on atomic control.

"Atomic weapons are weapons of aggression, and future production of such weapons can only serve those who have aggressive aims and want to attack foreign territories," Mr. Vyshinsky declared.

### Closely Related

The prohibition of atomic and reduction of conventional weapons were closely related and could not be dealt with separately, he said, repeating his earlier attacks on the mad armaments race in the United States.

On military expenditure in the United States, he said, "vast sums are being spent to increase armaments, to perfect the striking power of the United States."

Mr. Vyshinsky quoted a press report on plans being laid for the development of atomic weapons in the United States during the next 50 years, and a pamphlet which "prophesied" that the Soviet Union would not be able to catch up with the United States development of the atom bomb for many years to come.

It was pure demagoguery to say that the Soviet Union would be sacrificing nothing in accepting a universal treaty for the destruction of atomic energy, while the United States would be deprived of an advantage.

"Even if the United States is deprived of some fictitious advantages, or privileges, these advantages are those of mass extermination, and the human consciences rise against them."

Mr. Vyshinsky said, in conclusion that the Soviet Union insisted that the disarmament measures and prohibition of atomic weapons, such as it had proposed, be subjected to strict, stringent measures of control to see that they are carried out.

Mr. McNeil (Britain) immediately took the floor to reply.

### Bevin Defended

He began his speech with a defence of Mr. Bevin on the charge of "surrendering" to the Soviet Union.

"We shall all know that Mr. Vyshinsky's proposal is not a realistic proposal and is not designed to create the condition of confidence from which disarmament may proceed," he said.

"We all know that the peoples of the world and the peoples of the world, including the Soviet people, want above all the security in which peace may be built."

In 1947-48 the proportion of the national income of the Soviet Union spent on armaments was what percentage? Mr. Vyshinsky gave a guess. Five per cent? Ten per cent?

"Published figures say 17 per cent—a not inconsiderable figure. That is the published figure. But it is not completely certain that it is there, because, like every year there was an estimated budget surplus of 41 milliard roubles and I have not the slightest idea of how this was disposed of."

Mr. McNeil said that in 1937 the Soviet Government spent 17.5 milliard roubles on armaments. "Today, it spends 66.1 milliards."

"Mr. Vyshinsky knows perfectly well that none of us could withstand an appeal for disarmament if he could show us that it was well based. I do not want to commit myself to this rough and unjust system, but if conditions of trust are displayed by this Committee would go forward at a tremendous pace towards disarmament," concluded Mr. McNeil.

### Avoid War

Senator Henri Rolin (Belgium) asked how Mr. Vyshinsky could doubt that the peoples of Europe, and particularly of Western Europe, who had suffered in two wars, wished at all costs to avoid another. He went on: "It is true that today we see an armaments race which dwarfs the armaments race up to 1940. It is true that our people are being crushed by a burden that is a painful and evil thing, a thing we are trying to get rid of."

"The armaments race is the height of absurdity. The world is exhausting itself to the benefit of no one but the armaments makers. All my compatriots, including the chief of our Government, wish to disarm. Nothing is more ridiculous than to allege that M. Spaak has envisaged purposes other than to secure the safety of his country and of neighbouring ones."

Senator Rolin added: "It is difficult to imagine anything more over-simplified than the Soviet proposal. While everybody agreed on the principle of disarmament the Soviet plan gave no hint of how the one-third principle was to apply. Was it to manpower, budgets, future development?"

"If we were to accept the proposal it would be then that the trouble would start. It is not the first time that we have heard one of its kind. I am convinced that we must not accept this proposal if we want lasting and visible results in this field."

As there was no further speaker, the Chairman, M. Paul Henri Spaak, adjourned the Political Committee until Saturday.

Reuter.

## "Some Corner Of A Foreign Field"

Singapore, October 5.

Corners of Southeast Asia will remain "forever England."

In them memorial cemeteries are being constructed for British servicemen who lost their lives fighting to defend or liberate this area so remote from Sussex or Hampshire.

Unlike the Americans, who have returned home the bodies of some 30,000 war dead since October, the British decided to leave their dead in the areas where they fell.

Initial work is accomplished by teams who locate and identify bodies in the isolated tropical jungles of Malaya, Burma, Indonesia and the East Indies.

Lt. Colonel L. S. Harrop of London, as head of the Graves Registration Unit for South-eastern Asia, plans and coordinates efforts to locate the estimated 10,000 men still unaccounted for in Southeast Asia, of which between 1,000 and 2,000 are in Malaya.

These figures include men of all nationalities. They also include many who went down on ships.

Three years of labourious searching for information among thousands of war records and War Office files, of interviewing servicemen and Malayan village dwellers, yielded clues which have led to the recovery of approximately 6,000 bodies to date.

These include Malays, Chinese and Indians who fought with British soldiers in Singapore and the Federation of Malaya.

### 300 Unknown

Lt. Colonel Harrop revealed that despite the best efforts of all concerned, there still remain 300 unknown soldiers buried in the tropical jungles of this area.

The War Office usually has on file all that could be learned from other members of a unit's company. This includes where he was last seen, what he was doing when he was last seen, as completely as possible.

With this information, a member of the Graves Registration Unit can find the body of the missing man, wherever it may be.

Many a trip has been made by Lt. Col. Harrop and his assistants into the wilds, accom-

## Vyshinsky Proposes:

- (1) The Big Powers shall as a first step in the reduction of armaments and armed forces, reduce by one-third, during one year, all present land, naval and air forces.
- (2) Prohibition of atomic weapons intended for aims of aggression and not for defence.
- (3) Establishment within the framework of the Security Council of an international control body for supervision and control over the implementation of the measures for reducing armaments and armed forces, and for the prohibition of atomic weapons.

## McNeil Replies:

"Unless trust is created, unless the doors are opened, none of us would be good representatives of our people if we acceded to the Soviet request."

## ARGENTINE MEDIATES IN BERLIN DISPUTE

Paris, October 7.

Argentina is seeking to mediate in the big power conflict over Berlin and has voluntarily taken on the role of conciliator, it was learned today from authoritative sources.

Foreign Minister, Dr. Juan Atilio Bramuglia, who is president of the Security Council during its present critical session, has made the first moves to work out a formula which would break the deadlock between East and West on the Berlin issue, sources added.

Dr. Bramuglia was understood to have been in contact for the past 24 hours, first with all representatives of the five other non-permanent members of the council and to have been assured of their support in his efforts at conciliation. The small member countries are strongly in favour of an early solution of the conflict within the Security Council as proposed by Argentina, it was learned.

Dr. Bramuglia has also been in contact with representatives of the big Western powers as well as of Soviet Russia today, these sources added. Efforts are said to be along the lines to evolve a formula of compromise between the Western demand for lifting of the Berlin blockade prior to the resumption of negotiations and the Soviet stand on the issue. Negotiations will continue throughout the next few days.

Until the Security Council convenes, behind-the-scenes talks will continue, both with small and big member countries of the Council, these sources said.

### Long Way To Go

Diplomatic quarters were not unhelpful today following the first results of the soundings of the interested parties by Dr. Bramuglia, but he cautioned against expectations of a speedy result. One well-informed source said that the last 24 hours have brought some relaxation of the tension, but there is still a long way to go.

The source added that the small member countries unconditional support of Argentina's conciliation move, was encouraging and that the spirit prevailing in the talks with both West and Eastern representatives was not altogether discouraging.—United Press.

## President Sails On Warship

Peiping, October 8. Reports from Tientsin said Chiang Kai-shek left there on Wednesday on board a Nationalist warship for an unannounced destination.

Chiang probably went to the North coast of China, to inspect reinforcements landing there to join battle against the Reds in the Peiping-Mukden railroad corridor.

Most of Chiang's staff is still in Peiping so it is believed he will return here before flying back to Nanking.

The Generalissimo's present visit to North China—his fifth—is the longest he has made since VJ Day.—Associated Press.

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## Spanish Democrats Appeal

Paris, October 8.

Anti-Franco Spaniards have called upon Britain, France and the United States to make good their pledge to back up a democratic regime in Spain.

Representatives of the Spanish Republic and Monarchists said they had reached agreement on steps to form a coalition government which would displace Franco. The British and United States Embassies confirmed that they had received copies of the agreement.

Spaniards here said the agreement was welcome by British and French officials, but that they were uncertain of the American reaction.

Their announcement was timed at the height of speculation that the US might revise its "anti-Franco" policy on the ground that Spain is important to the defence of Western Europe.

The agreement, negotiated by Indalecio Prieto, former Socialist Premier, and Jose Maria Gil Robles, exiled Monarchist, was reported to call for a mixed committee in Paris to continue working for the overthrow of Franco, an interim government, free elections and a plebiscite on the form of the monarchy.

Pledge Support. It was said to contain a pledge of support from Monarchists, Socialists, the Spanish Confederation of Labour and underground democratic forces in Spain.

Concluded on August 29, after two years of stalemate, the agreement was said to be a step towards the big powers that the main anti-Franco forces are ready to fulfil the requirements of a British-French-American joint declaration of March, 1946.

That declaration said the three powers would support a caretaker government that could displace Franco and hold unfettered elections.

Any suggestion of closer relations with Franco seemed likely to meet with a cool reception from the British Government. Anti-Franco factions in Britain, particularly in the dominant Labour Party, repeatedly have demanded more vigorous action against him. The French Government had a similar problem in the attitude of its Socialist elements.—Associated Press.

Indian TUC Goes To Communists. Bombay, October 8. Communists gained control last night of the All India Trade Union Congress (AITUC), pioneer of the Indian labour movement.

M. J. J. General Secretary for eight years, resigned in protest at what he called lack of unity in the Executive Committee. He is an independent.

Communist Manek Gandhi was elected acting Secretary and delegate to the International Labour Organisation Geneva conference on the textile industry. S. A. Dange, Communist President of the AITUC, is under detention.—Associated Press.

## JUDGES ARE "RETIRED"

Budapest, October 7. The Hungarian Ministry of Justice has "retired" 101 judges and public prosecutors—10 per cent of the total in the country—in a campaign to remove "unreliable elements." It was officially announced today.—Reuter.

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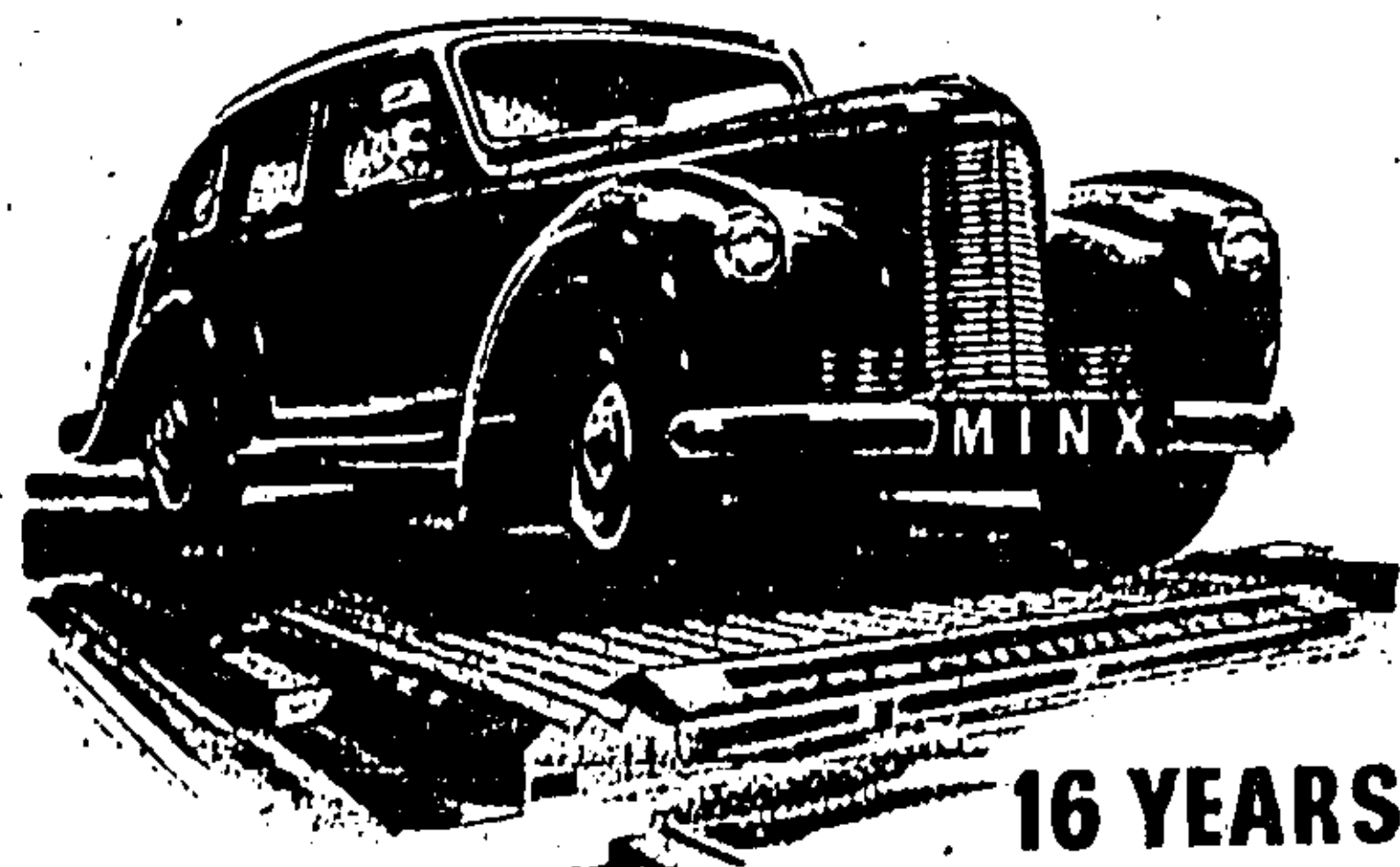
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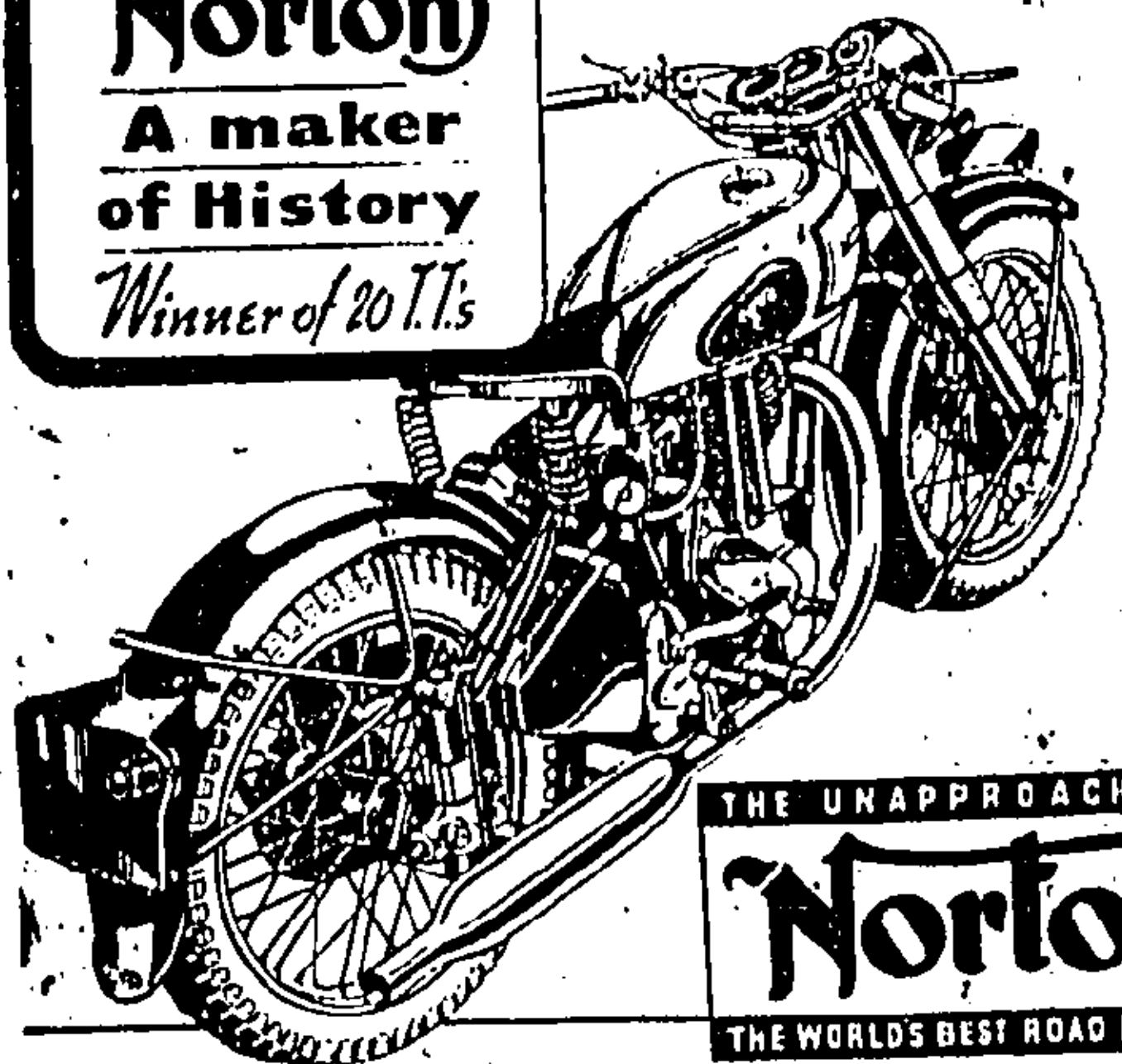
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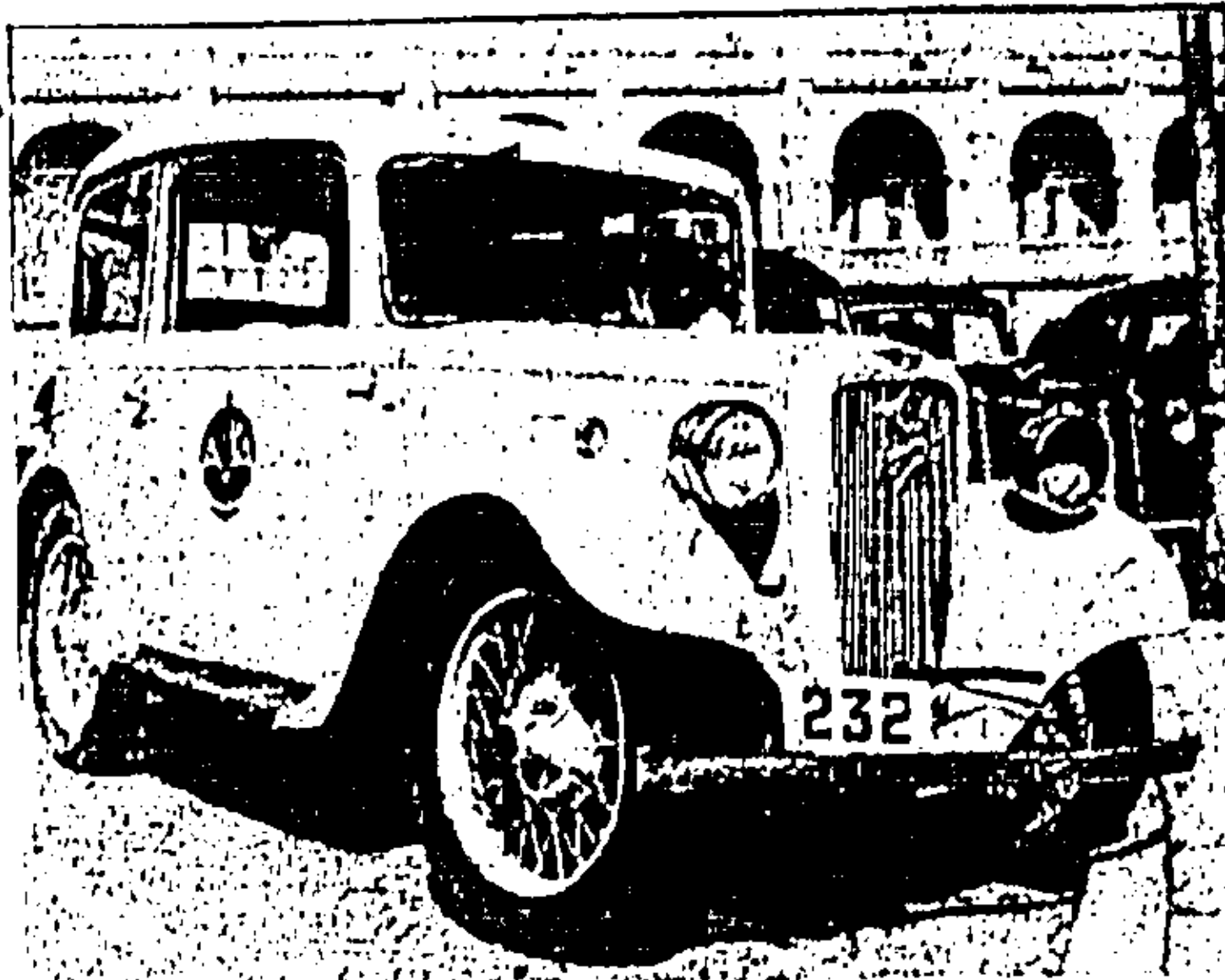
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During week days the car is mostly stationed in the Central District and is always available to go to the rescue of members in difficulties. On Race days the car, together with Association's inspectors, is on duty in the neighbourhood of the H.K. Jockey Club.

On request to the Secretaries, Peat Marwick Mitchell & Co., the Patrol car and inspectors will be made available at any time to control and supervise car parking at any private or public function. At its very first outing last Sunday, on a tour round the New Territories, the car rendered great service to a motorist with a puncture near Castle Peak and who had no spare wheel with him.

Although at present the Association is unable to effect such repairs absolutely free of charge, nevertheless charges are kept to a minimum and there is no doubt that had this one motorist been obliged to call out a repair car from Kowloon it would have cost him more than a whole year's subscription to the H.K.A.A.

The Association is urgently in need of increased Membership to cover its running expenses. Furthermore, with increased Membership it can and will obtain increased benefits for the motorists.

### SHOCK FOR UK MOTORISTS

London, October 7. Britain's 2,000,000 motorists got a shock today when they learned that the Government was considering suspending the petrol ration for the winter months.

It had only been introduced in June, after being abolished in the previous October emergency cuts to save dollars.

There was no pleasure motoring during the war, but enough petrol for 270 miles a month was allowed from June, 1945 to October 1947.

This ration was then abolished until last June, when it was restored on a smaller scale—enough for 80 miles a month.

Now it is felt that there is a possibility that the Government may be compelled to take action because of the heavy petrol drain caused by the Berlin air lift and the increased needs of the armed services.

Mr. Hugh Gaitskell, the Minister of Fuel and Power, is expected to make a statement when Parliament re-assembles later in the month.—Reuter.

### Argentine Order For 300 Trucks

Leyland Motors started work a few days ago on a £600,000 order for a fleet of 300 super trucks and other heavy duty freight vehicles for Argentina, says a United Press report.

The spokesman for Leyland Motors said it was the biggest single order the company had received since the war. It was placed by the Argentine Government through Leyland's agents in Buenos Aires, A. G. Pruden and Company.

A number of two-axle 125 h.p. truck chassis is included in the order, along with six-wheel chassis for tankers or heavy transport trucks, and 75 h.p. common middle-weight trucks.

### UK Is Out For World Car Market

In the United Kingdom the motor industry is tackling its task of hitting export targets both seriously and successfully. It has taken as its aim world markets on an unlimited scale.

The thoroughness of its preparations is exemplified by the cross-Continental road testing which has now become the general rule.

Once, the makers of the most luxurious and expensive English cars were almost alone in regularly covering great mileages on the mountain roads of Europe in order to prove their new models. Today it has become the habit, even in the development of the popular and inexpensive cars, to test them in export conditions.

As an example of this, one of the leading British manufacturers recently invited the Press to observe just such a test in Norway, and it was most encouraging to see half a dozen of the latest British designs under trial on those twisting mountain roads of the far North.

They had a strenuous programme of three weeks, travelling sometimes over 300 miles a day. Apart from the usual expert test drivers, they were accompanied by the technical manager, the styling engineer, and by representatives of their tyre, brake, ignition and spring damper manufacturers, making a party of nearly 20 technicians in all.

### HK Guide

A "Hong Kong Motorists' Guide," containing vital information, facts and illustrated features for the automobile owner and driver, has been issued by Da Silva Motors, located at 100 Sing Woo Road, Happy Valley.

The attractive pocket-size booklet is priced at \$2. It carries useful hints on regulations for motor vehicle drivers, safe driving, the highway code, how to park a car on a hill, car care, and how to save fuel.

Motorists are also offered illustrated features on Hydrumatic drive, safety first, motor vehicle sales, how to pull out of a ditch, inflation of tyres and road manners.

Maps of motor roads in Hong Kong, Kowloon and on the Peak, as well as a sketch of future developments in the Central District, contribute in making the booklet an indispensable item for local motorists.

New motor cycle records by British riders in the International Tourist Trophy Races recently held on the Isle of Man brought new thrills to this world-famous sporting event.

United Kingdom competitors and machines drawn from amateur motor cycle clubs won all three major events, the senior, junior, and light-weight classes, and set up a new dangerous circuit record of 82.65 m.p.h.

George Brown, the competitor who set up this record in his first T.T. was travelling at 109 m.p.h. when he ran out of petrol and lost the race—although the machine he was riding, a new British 1,000 c.c. Vincent H.R.D. Rapide, carried off the first two places in the senior class.

For machines as well as men this year's races proved to be a severe test, and many famous motor cycle names again justified their international reputation. The Vincent H.R.D., however, is one of the many new machines produced by Britain's motor cycle industry since World War II and is claimed to be the fastest standard machine in the world.

Its 1,000 c.c. Vee two-cylinder engine is a leading example of the multi-cylinder principle now dominant outside the cheaper classes of motor cycle. These engines furnish easy starting, smooth running, better acceleration, a pleasanter exhaust note, and a higher performance.

Other examples are the Sunbeam 500 c.c. two-cylinder, "a car on two wheels" with "line ahead" engine; the Douglas 348 c.c. two-cylinder, with torsion bar rear suspension; the B.S.A. 495 c.c. two-cylinder, bristling with many brilliant originalities and the new Ariel vertical twin.

The Ariel "Square" four-cylinder model and the Triumph vertical side-by-side twins of 350 c.c. and 500 c.c. respectively, are already world-famous, although they have recently been greatly developed.

### Overseas Demand

Of the single-cylinder machines, the 500 c.c. Norton, placed in both the senior and junior classes last week, still claims the highest power output for its capacity of all unblown engines on the world market. A.J.S. and Matchless are other single-cylinder machines now in mass production, while Royal Enfield is exploiting the world market for the "Flying Flea," a 125 c.c. two-stroke machine which was specially designed for parachute and commando troops during World War II.

Since the war, thousands of these machines have been sold for private ownership owing to the ease with which they can be lifted over obstacles and their virtual independence of "made roads."

If the T.T. races have drawn attention to the range of machines which have appeared and reappeared on the market since the war, their numbers are as clearly reflected in the British trade returns. Indeed, the industry's achievements on the production line will stand comparison with those of any other in Britain today. Before World War II, British production of motor cycles was some 72,000 per annum.

During the war, 400,000 machines were supplied to the Allied Forces by eight British factories—Ariel, B.S.A., James Matchless, Norton, Royal Enfield, Triumph and Velocette. After the war, output was first concentrated on the sturdy 350 c.c.—500 c.c. roadsters ridden by despatch riders during the war, their comfort and road-holding qualities newly transformed by telescopic forks with hydraulic control.

As the range widened, and output mounted, 50 per cent was reserved for overseas markets. As

### Component Design

The technical developments which earned this war-time reputation have been carried further since then, and the new British luxury models combine many amenities of the car with the light weight, vivacity, and low price of the motor cycle. Among the most noticeable changes are the better tickover, the smooth purr of exhausts, and the elimination of noise.

Silence has been studied to such an extent that Britain's War Office is aiming for a service machine inaudible in still air at only 300 yards range. The new oil-damped telescopic forks, combined with various forms of rear-frame suspension, have cut bounce and wheelhammer to a minimum.

Lavish lubrication, controlled by a dry sump, has improved cooling beyond recognition, detachable cylinder heads have simplified decarbonisation, flush surfaces make cleaning easier, and simple toe-action propstands make lifting unnecessary.

These are among the more obvious improvements, but behind them lie many radical changes in component design. One well-known gear box has become much smaller and lighter than its pre-war counterpart, although it can now cope with a 15 per cent greater load. The pull on its control lever is seven-and-a-half lbs as against 40 lbs, while its torque-assisted clutch can neither slip nor drag.

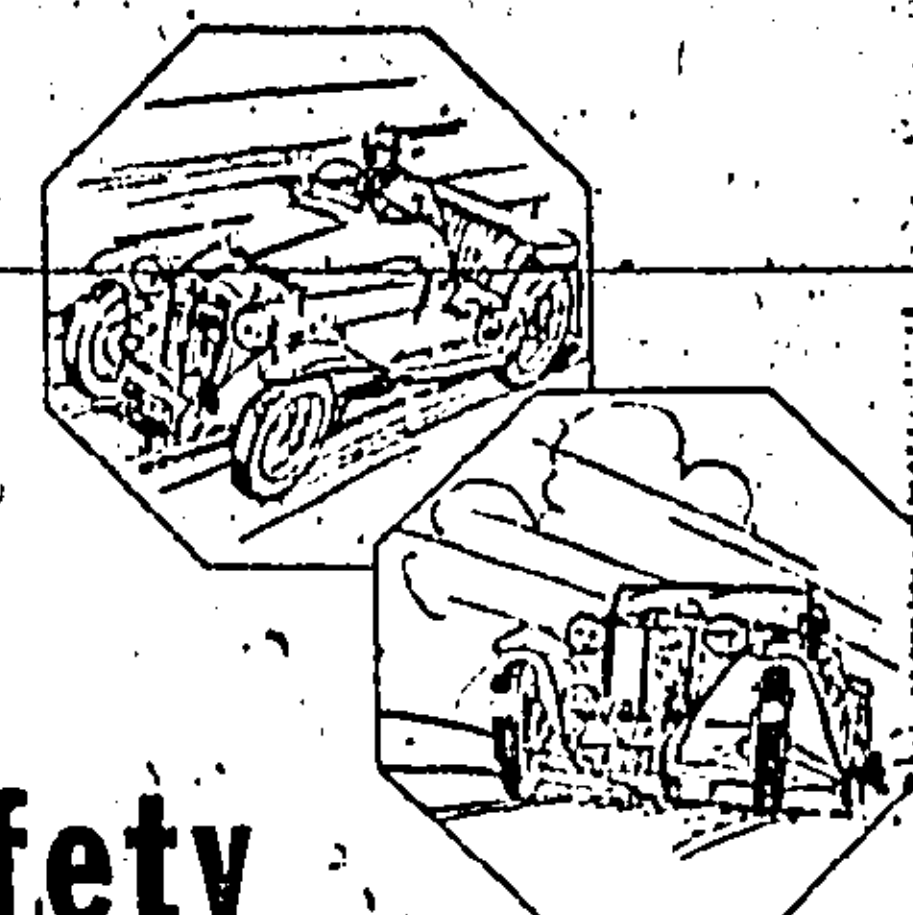
In other components, such as brakes, wheel-changing equipment and electrical items, progress is noticeable. Yet despite all these improvements, British manufacturers have kept their prices notably lower than in other producing countries.

Their eyes are on the new roads built all over the world for war purposes, and on the rising standard of living in countries where the names of British motor cycles have long been household words. Production is still mounting and prices falling, while quality—as the recent T.T. races have shown—is higher than over.

### EXHIBITION PLANNED

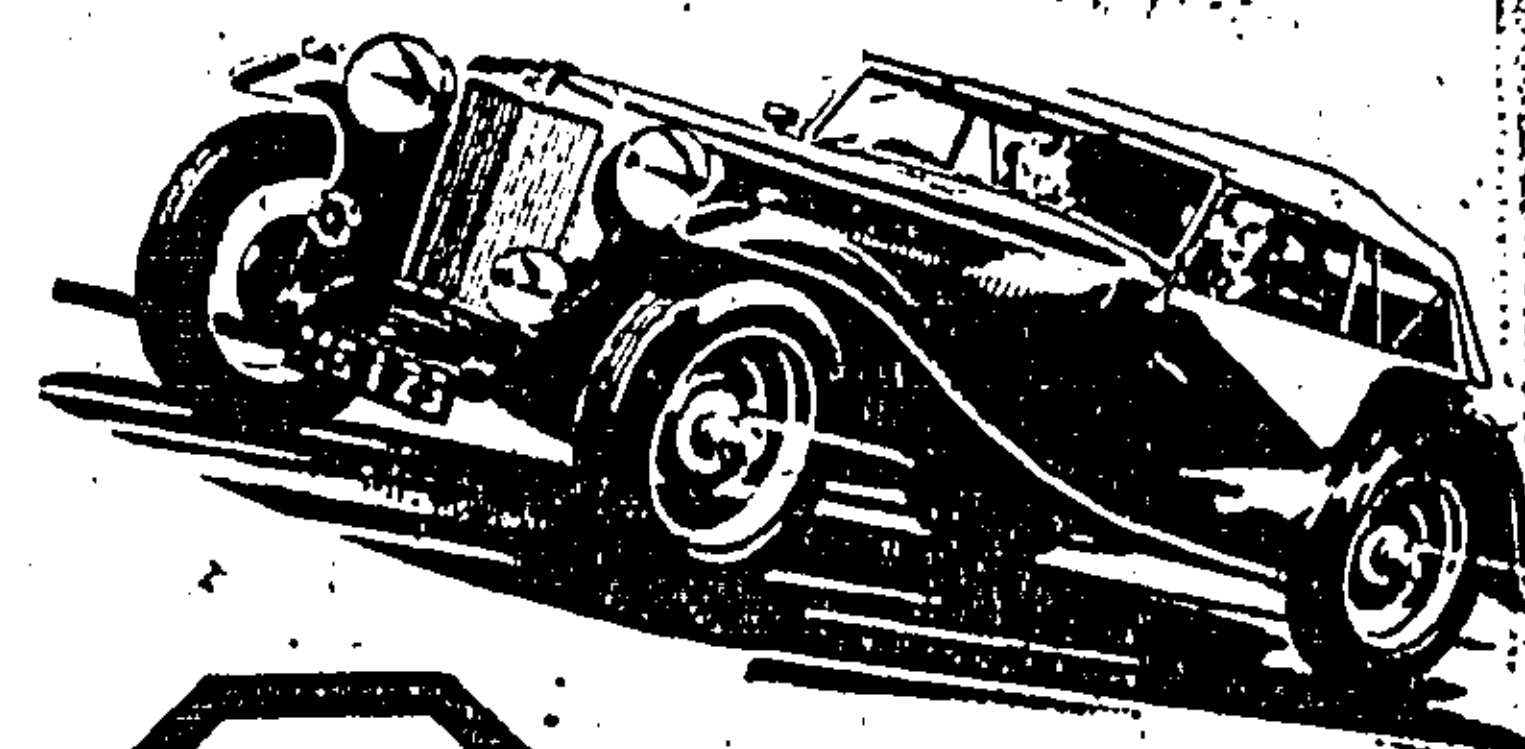
The Council of Industrial Design are planning to hold an exhibition in London of new British plastic and laminated wood fabrics which have outstanding weather resisting properties especially suitable for tropical climates. A collection of some 400 samples of boards, plywoods, plastic, and laminates made from waste products banded by synthetic resins give an impressive indication of British chemists and industrialists' ingenuity. They reveal the spectacular success of the efforts to make constructive use of new materials developed for war purposes and to substitute new materials for those of world-wide scarcity such as steel. In many cases those which began life as experimental substitutes have turned out much more successful and cheaper than original materials.

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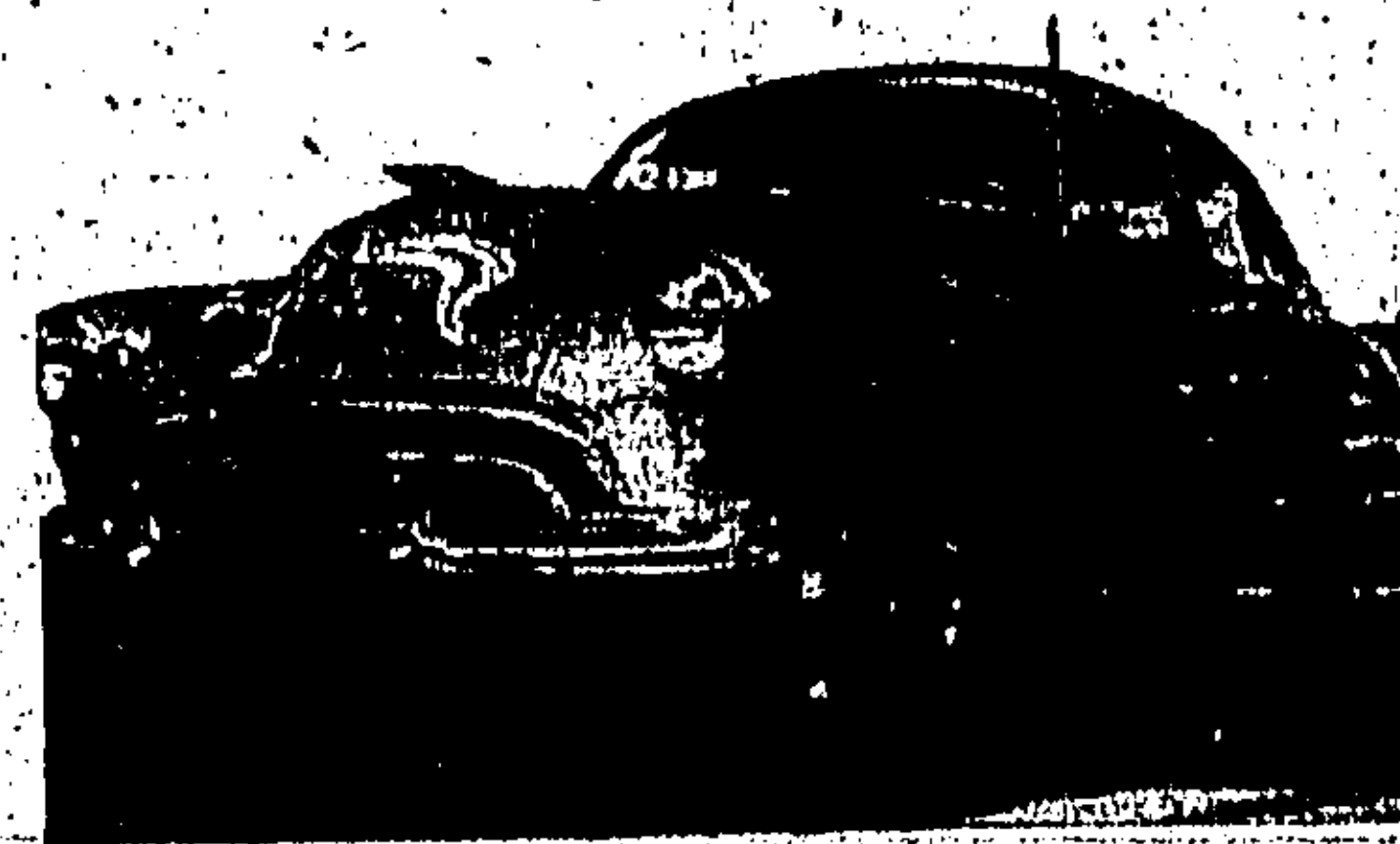
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## More Precious Than Jewels

New York, October 7. Two wealthy costume jewellery manufacturers, Hyman Glavet and Harold Kahn, were arrested for the illegal use of tin and held in US\$2,000 bail for action by a Federal Grand Jury. It was learned today. The men face a US\$10,000 fine or one year in jail, or both.

The Assistant United States Attorney, Mr. M. Klein, said the Government permitted tin to be used only for essential purposes.

"Tin is one of the strategic and critical materials in short supply in this country," he said. "It is badly needed for military production requirements."—United Press.

## BRITAIN MUST BE STRONG

London, October 7. To maintain peace, Britain must be strong in every respect—morally, economically and militarily. Marshal of the Royal Air Force Lord Tedder, Chief of the Air Staff, told a capacity crowd when he addressed the fourth of the lunch-time recruiting meetings from the balcony of Mansion House today.

Without economic strength, he said, military strength is impossible and said that this is why Britain is now building up a big volunteer reserve force so as not to disrupt the process of economic recovery.

"For us to maintain large permanent forces would be the folly that leads straight to bankruptcy and collapse," he said.

Lord Tedder told his listeners that if war came, the threat from the air would be the greatest and most immediate single danger the country would have to face.

No longer could the nation shelter behind the Fleet, he said. Even the mobilisation of the land forces would be imperilled, Lord Tedder added, unless Britain commanded the air above her.

In moral strength, Lord Tedder said, Britain is already in the van of the nations of the world. The moral strength of Britain, he said, is "as great as ever—and a beacon to democracies everywhere."—Reuter.

## TALKS ON RUBBER OFFER BY RUSSIA

London, October 7. Sir Oliver Goonetilleke, the High Commissioner for Ceylon, said today that talks had taken place in London on a Russian offer to buy Ceylon's entire rubber output for 1949, with existing stocks for the current year.

"Certain discussions have taken place with the Russian trade commissioner in the United Kingdom, but I am not in a position to make any statement at present," he added.—Reuter.

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San Francisco, October 8. A basic agreement for a United States of Indonesia by 1949 has been reached at The Hague, the Netherlands Information Bureau here reported yesterday.

The reported plan will not include the Indonesian Republic, which rules in Central Java and parts of Sumatra independent of the Dutch.

## CHECK IN SHANGHAI ON STOCK REPORTS

Shanghai, October 8.

A corps of 5,600 men and youths this morning took the field for an on-the-spot check on warehouses, wholesale establishments and retail stores to determine if the inventories today compare with the reports made to the Economic Supervisor, Major General Chiang Ching-kuo, on August 24.

While checking registered supplies, a lookout will be kept for unregistered hoarded commodities.

The checking crews took the field as the buying spree denuded the shelves of thousands of shops and stores of such items as cotton goods, woollens, silks, cosmetics and medicine. Buying ended only when the stores either ran out of merchandise or voluntarily closed up to prevent the continued rush.

Another deterrent was ordered by Chiang Ching-kuo that only persons presenting resident certificates should be allowed to make purchases of those items. This kept from going shopping many who, deprived of an opportunity to go themselves, declined to go themselves.

The checking crews touring the city were composed of members of the Wonsung Garrison, Municipal departments, Customs Office and Railway Administration.

Meanwhile, at Nanjing, Premier Wang Wen-huo presided over a conference attended by the mayors of Shanghai, and Nanjing, General Chiang Ching-kuo, Central Bank Governor O. K. Yui and the Governors of Kiangsu, Anhwei and Chekiang provinces.

The main problem of the conference is to seek ways to keep prices down and increase industrial production, and at the same time to find outlets for idle cash that do not affect the economic programme.—United Press.

## Ise Koch Case Investigation

Berlin, October 7.

Both the United States Army and German authorities are investigating the case of Ise Koch, to determine whether she can be tried on other charges when she finishes her abbreviated sentence for complicity in the Buchenwald mass murders.

General Lucius Clay, American occupation commander, told the press conference his Legal Department was reviewing evidence against the woman. General Clay's commutation of her life sentence to four years aroused a storm of protest in both the United States and Germany.

The German authorities in Weimar, site of Buchenwald Camp, said they also had been granted permission by the American Military Government to examine the Koch trial records. The Thuringian State Council in the Soviet Zone unanimously adopted a resolution asking the American authorities to turn over Ise Koch to them for just punishment.—United Press.

## CANADA BUILDS SHIPS FOR YANGTSE

To operate on the world's fourth longest river—the 3,400-mile Yangtse—a fleet of nine specially built aluminium superstructured vessels will leave Canada shortly on a 12,000-mile voyage.

The vessels will be operated by the Ming Sung Industrial Company of Shanghai for which they have been constructed by the St. Lawrence Metal and Marine Works and Geo. T. Davey and Son at Quebec City.

From Canada's 1,800-mile St. Lawrence River, the vessels, manned by Canadian crews, will cross the Atlantic, pass through the Mediterranean Sea and Suez Canal and across the Indian Ocean and the China Sea to Shanghai.

Because ordinary vessels cannot navigate the shallow and swift upper reaches of the Yangtse River, the Ming Sung Company took the problem to Britain first. British shipyards, however, were too busy in reconstruction and rehabilitation projects to accept the assignment. Difficulty in obtaining foreign exchange and high costs were the problems encountered in America.

In Canada, however, the Ming Sung Company found the answer to its problem. Materials, shipyard and skilled labour were available to build the required

The Bureau said the report on The Hague agreement, came from Siradjoeddin Baso, representative of the State of East Indonesia, who is on a visit to San Francisco.

Baso estimated the new Dutch-Indonesian regime would rule about two-thirds of Indonesia. The remaining third is held by the Republic.

Representatives of the Federal States of Indonesia have been meeting with Netherlands delegates at The Hague for several weeks.

The Bureau said the agreement, according to dispatches from the Dutch news Agency Aneta, provides:

1—A federal interim government will be set up headed by three Indonesians to be elected by the Indonesian States in the federation. Their appointments will be confirmed by the crown.

2—The states will elect a federal council to consist of from two to ten representatives from each Indonesian state.

3—This interim government will be in control while preparations are made for the creation of a sovereign and independent United States of Indonesia by 1949.

The latter will be a voluntary partnership with the Netherlands, Baso said.

Talks are continuing at The Hague in order to work out details.—Associated Press.

## 'Moller Ship To Be Returned

Tokyo, October 7.

The 13,000-ton "Josephine Moller" which sailed under the Japanese flag during the war as the "Sagami Maru" will be returned to the British Government soon. Allied Headquarters announced today.

The ship was scuttled in Hong Kong in December, 1947. The Japanese floated her and used her during the Pacific war. She is at present being used by SCAP for repairing and laying cables.

SCAP said the "Sagami Maru" will be returned to the Japanese Government about October 15 after which she will undergo repairs prior to being returned to the British Government.

Allied Headquarters also announced that similar action is being taken about the "Ming Sam" 3,500-ton British passenger-cargo vessel sunk by a mine in Japanese waters during June, 1945.—United Press.

## Germans Make Russian Jets

London, October 8.

"Acroplane" the usually well informed British aviation weekly reported Thursday that 2,000 expert workers from the famous Junkers works at Dessau, Germany, are now working in Moscow on jet-fighter planes.

Acroplane attributed the report to a recent visitor to Germany. "The Russian's attach special importance to the development of the German type ME262 and ME103 (which appeared in February 1945 with the Luftwaffe)" "Acroplane" said.—Associated Press.

## Miss Mosley To Marry

London, October 8. Miss Vivien Elizabeth Mosley, only daughter of Sir Oswald and the late Lady Cynthia Mosley, will marry in January Desmond Francis Forbes Adam, oil company assistant, it was announced today.

Vivien is 27, her fiancé 22. The couple have known each other since childhood.

Miss Mosley's grandmother was Mary Leiter, Victorian beauty, who inherited the wealth of Levi Leiter, Chicago wheat magnate. She is a goddaughter of Queen Elizabeth, of The Belgians.—Reuter.

## Riots In Oil Strike

Richmond, California,

October 7.

Sheriff James Long of Contra Costa county was authorised today to hire extra deputies to maintain order after a bloody fight between striking CIO oil workers and police.

Permission was granted by county supervisors when Long explained that tension was mounting at nearby Martinez, where the Shell and associated refineries are strike-bound, and at the Union Oil Company's refinery at Oleum.

The latest outburst in the 34-day strike occurred at Standard's Richmond refinery when pickets attempted to block the entry of non-strikers to the administration building.

Heads were blooded and ten policemen injured as they attempted to restore order. Car windows were smashed, with heavily gloved fists and rocks. Two police cars were damaged and two autos overturned.

After a 20-minute fight police brought order and placed six strikers under arrest.—Associated Press.

## GERMANY AIR MAIL RESTORED

Berlin, October 7.

Air mail service between the three Western Zones of Germany and foreign countries—hitherto limited—will be restored fully on October 20, according to the British Military Government today.—Reuter.

## Mountbatten Tribute To Nehru

London, October 6.

Earl Mountbatten, former Viceroy and Governor-General of India, told members of the Royal Empire Society here today: "I have never met any greater statesman than Pandit Nehru. When you think of the immensity of the problems and the complexities which he has had to face, you will give him due recognition for what has been achieved so far.

"I do not say that everything that has been done out there is right, but I do say that they have done remarkably well in the face of very great difficulties.

"It is of very great significance that the man who keeps India together and will decide whether they will stay within the British Commonwealth or not, lands in England tonight for the Commonwealth Prime Ministers' Conference."

Lord Mountbatten also paid a tribute to the late Mahatma Gandhi, Sardar Patel, the Deputy Prime Minister, and Mr. Rajagopalachari, the Governor General.

After referring to the statesmanship of Sardar Patel, he said of Gandhi: "They classify him simply with Mahomet and Christ. If you do not understand that, you do not understand anything."

Of Mr. Rajagopalachari, he remarked: "He is the best possible man they could have at their

## US STEEL MAY FIGURE IN BRITISH SCANDAL

London, October 7. The Daily Graphic said today that American steel may be involved in the British big black market scandal ramifications which are expected to shake the present Labour Government.

Scotland Yard will probably complete the initial report on its investigation within 48 hours. However, official information and comment will be withheld until Parliament convenes on October 25.

It is believed the scandal involves black marketing of large quantities of lace, textiles, paper and other controlled materials designated for export which found their way to the domestic market, but the Daily Graphic said "large quantities of steel and raw materials are believed to have been imported from America by several Midlands and North of England manufacturing firms without authorisation."

The usually well-informed Daily Telegraph claimed that although the scandal has been under public surveillance less than a week, official enquiries have been going on over six months.

The Labour Party organ, Daily Herald, devoted top of the front page to the affair stating it was the first major scandal since the Labour Government took office in 1945.

The story said that at Lord Chancellor Jowitt's insistence fraud squad chief Superintendent Arthur Thorp had personally assumed direct control of the investigations. Until the probe is completed the Labour Party paper said "no decision can be taken on the procedure to follow."—United Press.

## Osman Pasha Killer Caught

Amman, October 6.

Hussein Tewfik, a young Egyptian student who escaped from the Cairo police a month before being sentenced to 10 years' hard labour last July for the murder of Sir Amin Osman Pasha, former Egyptian Finance Minister, has been arrested in Amman, it was learned today.

No mutual extradition treaty exists between Egypt and Transjordan but four high-ranking Egyptian officers arrived today to discuss the matter, it was also learned.

Sir Amin Osman Pasha, known for his pro-British sympathies, was murdered while leaving a Cairo club on January 19, 1940.

Hussein Tewfik, son of a well-known Government official, escaped when being escorted to a Cairo dentist. Twelve other accused were given sentences ranging from five years to one month. Eleven more were acquitted.—Reuter.

## FRENCH NAVY VISITS SINGAPORE

Singapore, October 7.

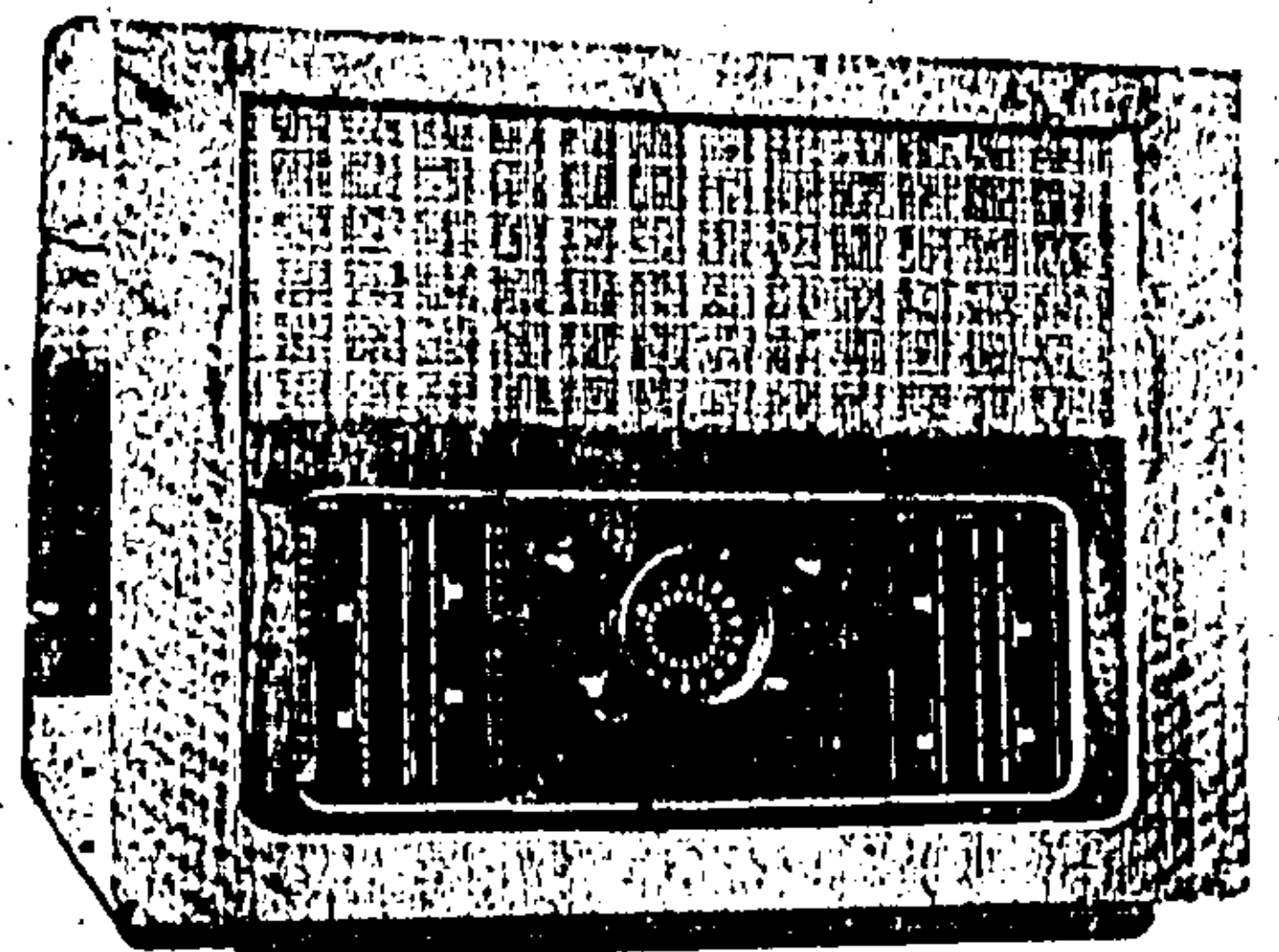
The French Navy today paid its first official visit to Singapore for two and a half years.

Vice-Admiral R. M. Barret, Commander-in-Chief of the French Far East Naval Forces, was flying his flag in the cruiser Duguay Trouin, which was accompanied by the sloop Savorgnan de Brazza.

Shore batteries saluted the warships which will stay here for three days.—Reuter.

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# HOW MUCH RELIANCE IN PLEDGE TO CHINA?

## Good-Time Girls Told "Keep Out"

Warrington, October 8.

Councillor W. L. Challinor, Mayor of Warrington, has issued a "Keep Out" warning to good-time girls who flock into this Lancashire town to contact American troops stationed nearby.

The mayor said that he was distressed that girls from other parts of the country poured into Warrington merely to meet dollar-spending Americans.

"I strongly deplore the possibility that Warrington will develop into a modern Klondyke," he said.

"This state of affairs is likely to embarrass the good name of our local girls and happy relationship which exists between the American troops and the local people generally," the mayor added.

"I am delighted to record that from all quarters I have received excellent reports of gentlemanly behaviour of the Americans. I see no reason why their presence should attract most of the undesirable from other parts of the country."

The mayor assured American servicemen that they were welcome in Warrington for their services alone and not for their dollars.—Reuter.

## Shanghai, October 8. Republican candidate Dewey's campaign pledges in favour of China aid are heartening words for China but the Shanghai China Press editorially counsels its readers not to become too confident.

The Press, owned by H. H. Kung, former Premier and Finance Minister, says "few, if any, presidential candidates have ever kept all their campaign promises. There is no guarantee that this particular pledge regarding aid to hard-pressed China would take top priority in execution."

Additionally the pro-government paper said "as far as China is concerned, the policy outlined by the Republican candidate is one that fits well into China's own plans—to strengthen the democratic bloc around the world, and help fight communism in China."

"But how much reliance can China place in Dewey's pledge? That, unfortunately, is another question."

"Furthermore, for China realists to consider in the fact that the president cannot put through a new policy entirely of his own accord. Behind him, and as so often happens above him, always stands congress."

### Change Attitude

"If congress does not change its attitude toward China and her problems, even the best intentions of a successful Dewey could be negated. Then there is always the record of the 80th congress. Let it not be forgotten that despite Republican manifestations of friendship for this country, it was the Republican-controlled

80th congress which trimmed the appropriations for the present aid being rendered to China....

"However, the fact that Dewey has taken special pains to single out China for particular help, gives great encouragement to the Chinese people. It is a long time since the term 'ally' was used in describing this country in relation to the United States. It is a term which the Chinese have not forgotten."

Now Mr. Dewey has put the Republican party on the record officially recognising China as an ally. He also termed the present policy one of tragic neglect. If he can convince the American people that it has indeed been a policy of tragic neglect, then he will have done an infinite deal of good for the Chinese cause."—Associated Press.

## Chinese Huks Killed By Constabulary

Manila, October 8.

The "Times" correspondent in Cebu, capital of Nueva Ecija Province, reported that four Chinese Huks were killed in a Constabulary attack on a Huks conference near the town of Bongabon, in Nueva Ecija.

The report said the four men belonged to Squadron 65 of the Huks army, reportedly composed mostly of Chinese Communists who have been in the Philippines since before the war.

The correspondent also said captured papers indicated that some Chinese businessmen were contributing funds for the squadron. He added that the squadron, under a commander named Tan, fought the Japanese during the occupation.

At least 20 Huks were killed in separate clashes in Central Luzon yesterday, while one Constabulary soldier was killed and another wounded in clash in the town of Santo Tomas, in Batangas Province.

An undetermined number of Huks reportedly raided the town of Paghila in Quezon Province yesterday and seized foodstuffs and supplies, but left the townspeople unmolested. A message sent by the Paghila railway station master said no shootings occurred and the Huks left peacefully after taking provisions.—United Press.

## Terrorists' Income By Protection Money

Singapore, October 7.

Unimpeachable sources today said that the Government had captured documents showing that wealthy Chinese plantation owners had been paying protection money to Malayan terrorists—apparently solving the puzzle of the Communists' sources of income.

The records came into Government hands recently when the jungle "Ferret Force" raided a hideaway, near Sepuloh in Central Johore State, on the heels of the fleeing occupants. There Force members found what evidently was an account of a recent meeting of the Communist hierarchy and a list of names of those who paid protection money and were to be spared from terrorism.

Also captured was a list of names of ringleaders, extortionists and blackmailers, who had been collecting many thousands of dollars to keep the campaign going. A large number of forged rice cards, to be sold on the black market, was discovered.

Captured documents revealed details of a Communist plan of attack. The Government expected to make wholesale arrests on the basis of information gained from papers seized. Some prominent persons are believed to be among those implicated.

Informed sources predicted that the find would help reduce the time needed to round up the terrorists in Malaya.—United Press.

## HUNGARIANS RELEASE BRITON

Budapest, October 7.

The Hungarian authorities have expelled Mr. Kavan Elliot, representative in the Hungarian capital of the British Unilever interests, who had been detained by police for the past ten days.—Reuter.

## Flying Service Laundry

London, October 8.

It costs too much to wash dirty linen in Paris, says members of the British delegation to the United Nations General Assembly.

So British delegates can have their soiled linen flown back to Britain, collected at the airport by British laundries and returned washed, ironed and aired within two days.

Mr. D. K. Rolitt, General Secretary of the Institution of British Launderers, stated today that laundresses volunteered to operate this proposed service immediately they heard that Britons were having to ration clean shirts as a result of the exorbitant French laundry charges.—Reuter.

## EGYPTIANS USE TANKS AND BOMBS

Tel Aviv, October 7.

The Egyptian forces threw in tanks and bombs carrying Spitfires today in a renewal of the fighting for the important heights dominating the Israeli Army's only land route to isolated Jewish settlements in the Negev, the desert area of southern Palestine.

An Israeli Army spokesman announced that the assault had been repulsed. The Egyptian forces attacked the two Israeli-held heights of Tel Kuneitra and Hirteth Makhsa, south of Gaza.

The spokesman said the two heights were first attacked yesterday. They were occupied by the Egyptians who were later driven off by Israeli counter attacks. The heights changed hands twice and this morning Israeli forces still holding them when Egyptian aircraft attempted to bomb the positions and dislodge the defenders.

Heavy and light tanks supported the Egyptian advance, he added.

The spokesman stated that United Nations observers were yesterday informed about the grave breach of the truce in a note handed to them by the Israeli authorities. But there has yet been no official Israeli request for observers to be sent to the spot.

The scene of the fighting was below the village of Iraq Suweid, through which Israeli forces have been pushing armoured convoys into the Negev area.

The Egyptians have sealed off Negev except for a secondary road running through Iraq Suweid. Thus it was of the utmost importance for the Israeli Army to hold their positions in this sector to allow of the passage of reinforcements and supplies.

The fighting in the south took on added significance from the fact that Negev has become the focal point in the Israeli opposition to Count Bernadotte's report, now before the United Nations.

It is believed that the Egyptians hope to reinforce the Arab claims to Negev by sealing it off completely before the Palestine issue comes up in Paris.

Both the Egyptians and the Syrians were continuing to ignore repeated United Nations orders to evacuate their positions in the south and northeast sectors of the Negev front which were captured by them after the beginning of the truce.—Reuter.

## STABILISATION OF CURRENCY

Nanking, October 8.

A proposal urging the stabilisation of the currency was submitted by legislators to the Legislative Yuan, yesterday afternoon, suggesting an expansion of the organisational set-up of the Note Issue Supervisory Committee to include representatives of financial circles in all parts of the country.

It was proposed that, from among these representatives, a limited number of Committee members will be elected to participate in the actual control and application of the currency reserve with positive ability to hold it in check.

Other measures proposed for stabilising the currency were: 1.—The formulation and announcement of concrete plans by the Government to balance the national budget.

2.—The Note Issue Reserve, together with the bullion and foreign currencies received through conversion, should be concentrated for use under a well-planned programme to protect productive enterprises, stabilize prices and ensure adequate supplies to meet public demands.

If these could be achieved, it was argued, "there would be such an enhancement of public confidence that the currency itself would need no backing."—Reuter.

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"BOISSEVAIN"	from Amoy	to South Africa	14th Oct.	
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## FINANCE AND COMMERCE

# US PRIVATE INVESTMENTS ABROAD RECORD IN 1947

Washington, October 8. US investments abroad totalled US\$28,800,000,000 at the start of 1948, the Commerce Department has estimated.

Foreign investments in the US were estimated at US\$16,500,000,000. They increased by US\$100,000,000 in 1947 while US investments abroad were rising US\$8,100,000,000.

The Department said investments abroad by private US interests increased US\$1,000,000,000 in 1947—largest amount since 1928—to a total of US\$16,500,000,000.

US Government investments abroad totalled US\$7,000,000,000 in 1947, a total of US\$12,100,000,000. Chiefly these were loans to foreign governments, while US private investments abroad mostly went into enterprises controlled by US firms.

The figures on both US investments abroad and foreign investments in the US were estimated at the start of 1948, the Department said. Associated Press.

London, October 7. Although trading was never very large, prices in most sections of the Stock Exchange remained very firm today. The recent rise in the gilt-edged market was continued, although buying was on a smaller scale than of late.

Prices of 1/4 to 1/2 were shown but Transport remained steady at 10/10/16. Since the issue on nationalisation of British railways, this stock has yet to reach par.

From stocks and tobacco shares were firm among industrial groups. Textiles were also slightly higher, but railway shares were out of favour, following the suggestion in a broker's circular that current prices are rather high.

Asians and Motors were marked higher on the news that three companies are to merge their technical interests. Production is to be merged but there is to be no financial merger.

On the cessation of the recent selling. Strong buying of shares in New Pioneer was the feature of the Kaffir section. Sharp advances were recorded. Other shares were slightly firmer.

SECURITIES: British Consols, 2 1/2, 104 1/2; Conversion Loan, 2 1/2, 104 1/2; Funding Loan, 2 1/2, 104 1/2; War Loan, 2 1/2, 104 1/2; Victory Bonds, 4 1/2, 112 1/2.

RAILWAY SHARES: British Transport, 2 1/2, 99 1/2; Imperial Tobacco Co. (G.B. & Ireland), 4 1/2, 104 1/2; Rubber Shares: Anglo-Indo-Burmese Rubber Estate, 1 1/2, 104 1/2; Guthrie & Co. (G.B. & Ireland), 1 1/2, 104 1/2.

INDUSTRIALS: British American Tobacco (G.B. & Ireland), 4 1/2, 104 1/2; Imperial Chemical Industries, 4 1/2, 104 1/2; Anglo-Indo-Burmese Rubber Estate, 1 1/2, 104 1/2; Guthrie & Co. (G.B. & Ireland), 1 1/2, 104 1/2.

SHIPPING: P. & O. Steam Navigation Co., 1 1/2, 104 1/2; Indian General Navigation Co., 1 1/2, 104 1/2; Anglo-Indo-Burmese Rubber Estate, 1 1/2, 104 1/2; Guthrie & Co. (G.B. & Ireland), 1 1/2, 104 1/2.

At the same time Arab ambulances will be allowed to transfer Arab sick and wounded from the old city to the Arab controlled Augusta Victoria Hospital on Mount Scopus through the neighbouring Jewish police region.

The Red Cross flag will be lowered on the former British Government House in the second de-militarised area south of Jerusalem on Thursday, when the International Red Cross formally withdraws.

London, October 7. Britain's iron and steel industry can achieve an annual output of 17,500,000 to 18,000,000 tons annually by the early 1950s, according to a study released today by the Iron and Steel Federation.

The industry is currently producing at a rate of approximately 15,000,000 tons annually. In its study, the group made no reference to the impending nationalisation of the industry. It bases its production forecast on plant improvements which, it is assumed, will be carried on when the industry becomes Government-controlled.

In order to achieve the higher output figures, the report stated, some means of assuring adequate supplies of coke and scrap metal must be found. Lack of such supplies, it was added, is already handicapping the production programme.

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